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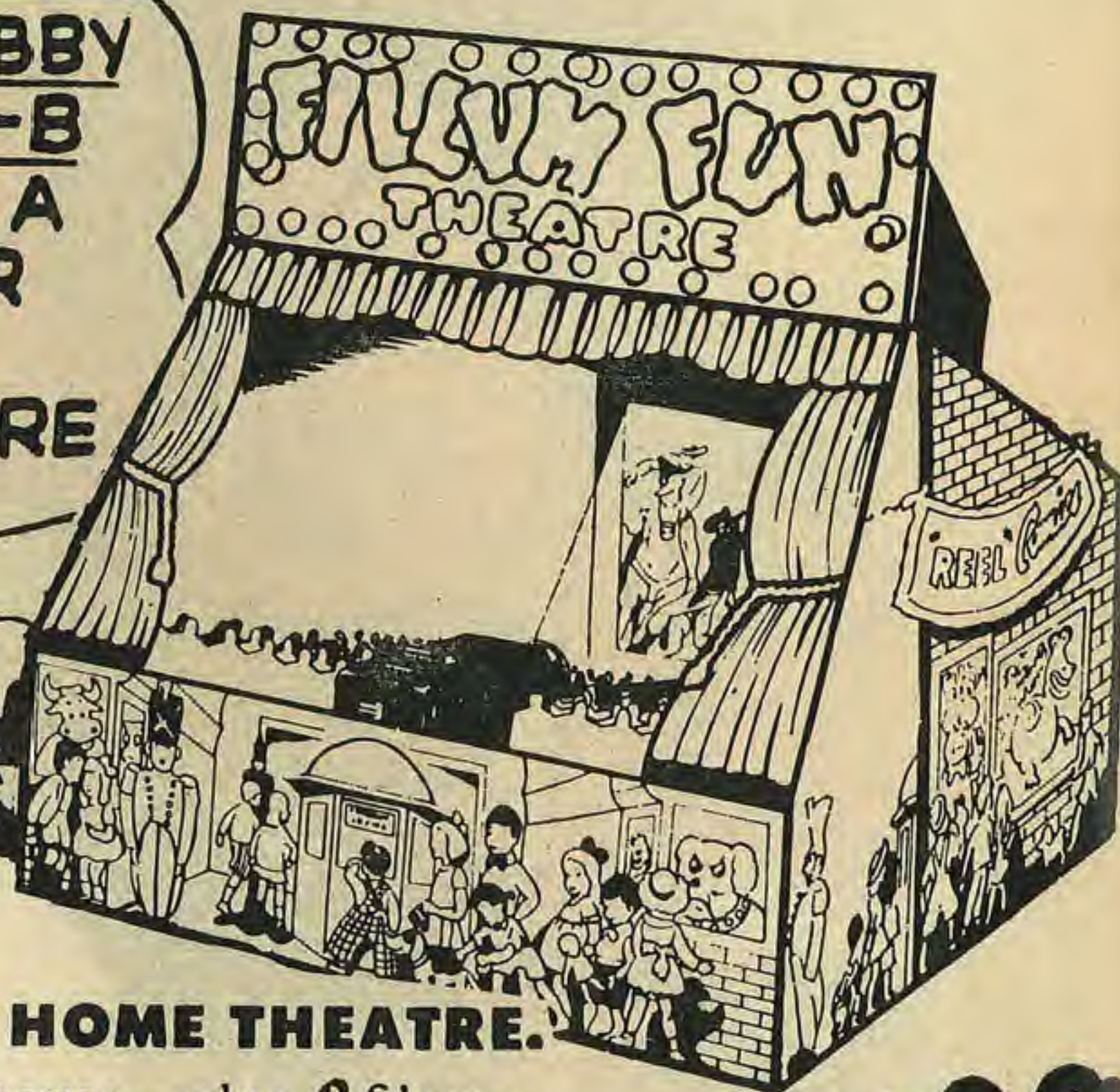


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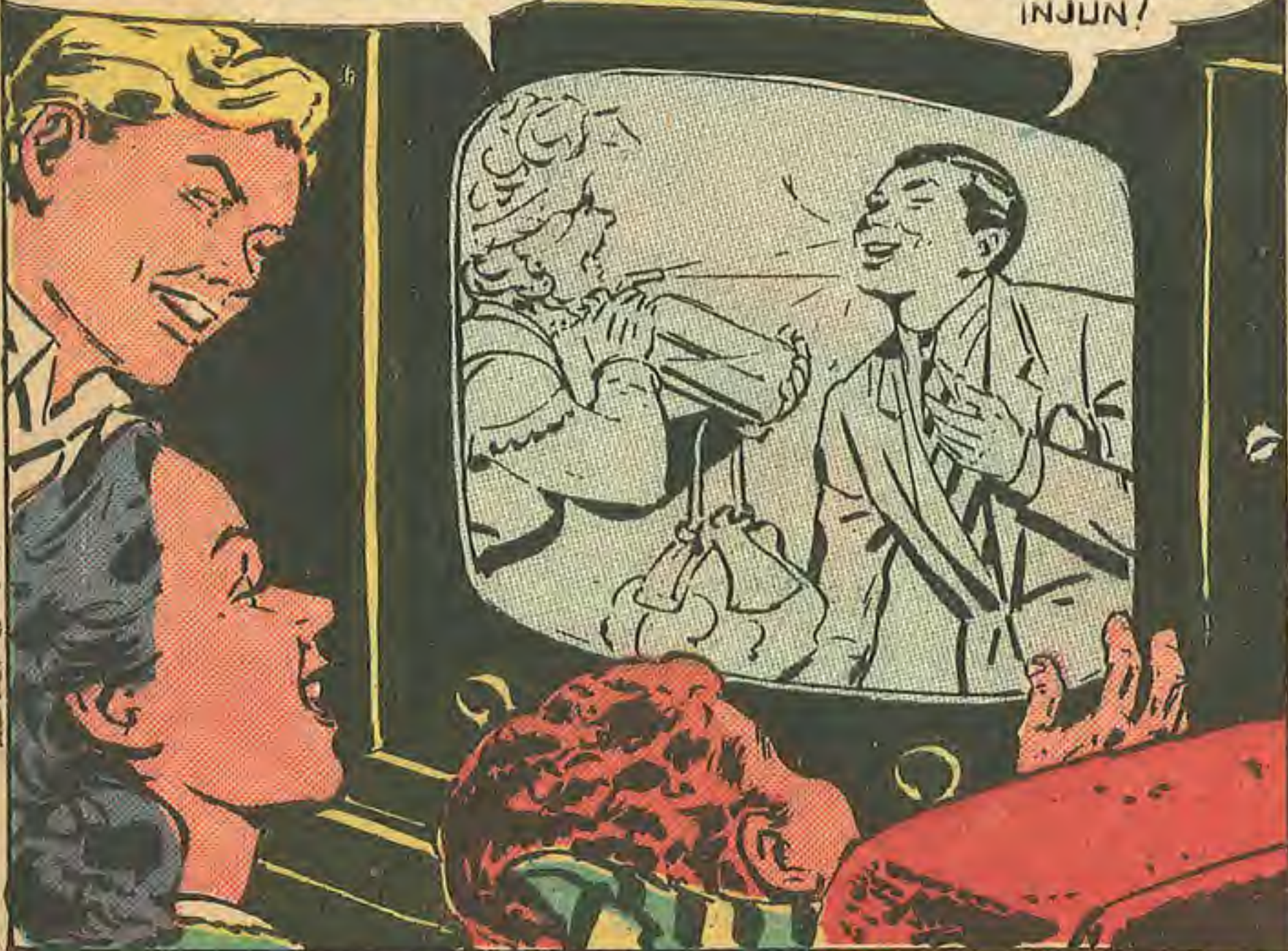
The Old Jokes' Home



TWO MORE MINUTES TO THE END OF BERLE NIGHT...

YOU INJUN? YES! BIG
CHIEF RAIN IN THE FACE!

UGH! YES, ME
INJUN ... FIRE
INJUN!



NOW REMEMBER, ALL YOU KIDS,
GO RIGHT TO BED. THIS IS UNCLE
MILTY WHO HAS ALWAYS SAID,
EARLY TO BED AND EARLY TO RISE
... AND YOU WON'T MEET ANYONE
I KNOW ... G'NIGHT...





SWELL SHOW TONIGHT, MR. BERLE!

THANKS... GLAD YOU LIKED IT!

MR. BERLE, DON'T FORGET ... TONIGHT'S THE BENEFIT FOR THE OLD FOLKS' HOME!



GEE, I CUT IT PRETTY FINE ... THE CAR'LL HAVE TO HURRY TO GET ME TO THE OLD FOLKS HOME IN TIME...

KING... YOUR MAJESTY...

COMING TO TOWN SOON THE GREATEST FUN SHOW ON EARTH!



KING? YOUR MAJESTY?

SURE! YOU'RE THE KING OF THE KLOWNS... AND IT IS TIME YOU WENT BACK TO YOUR KINGDOM. YOU HAVE A DUTY TO PERFORM...



YIPE ... A CRAZY CLOWN ... YAWN ... ANOTHER SHOW TO DO TONIGHT YAWN ... AND I'M TIRED NOW...

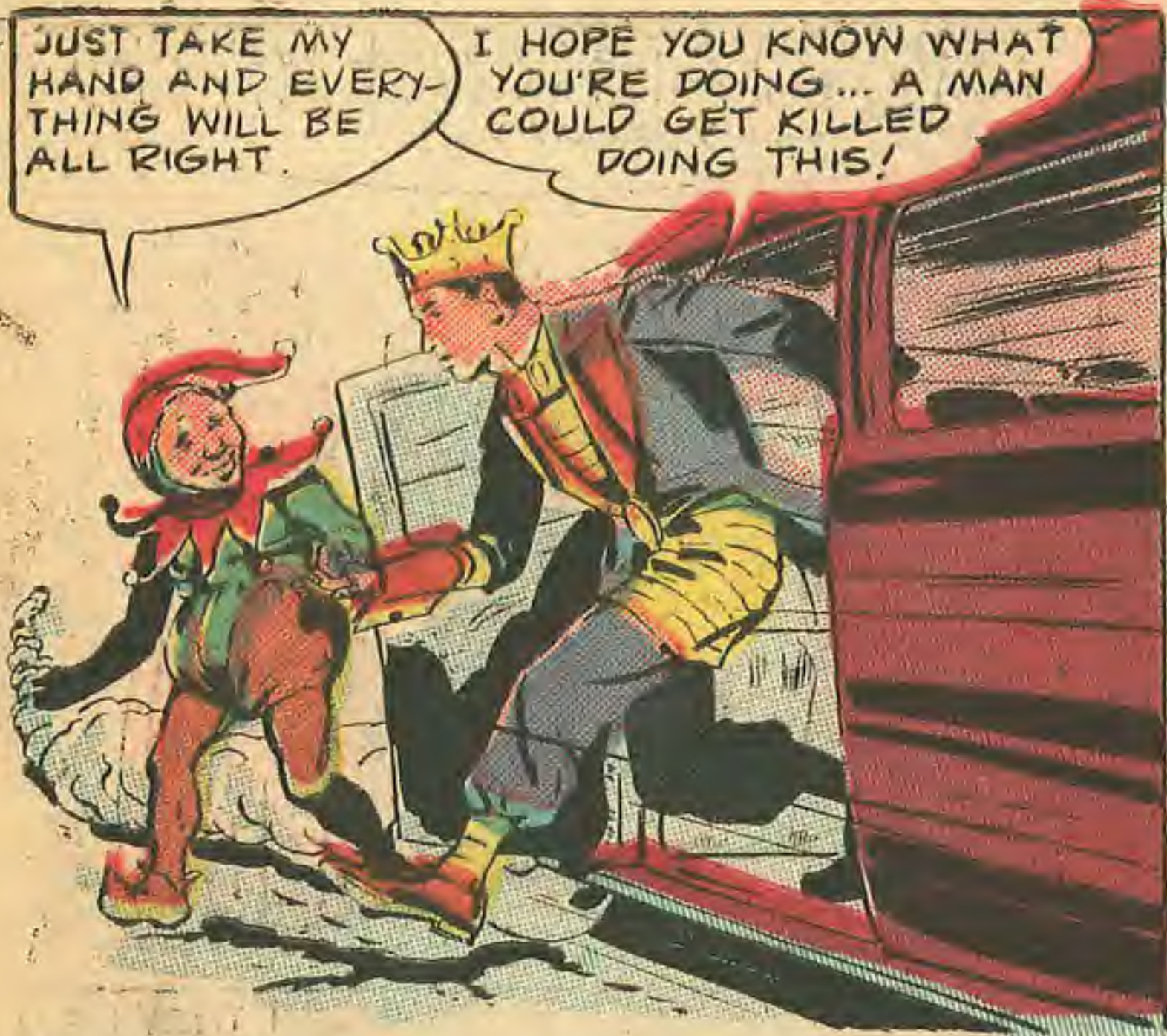


THAT WAS FUNNY THAT TIME... WHEN I WENT TO THE KINGDOM OF THE KLOWNS AND WAS KROWNED KING...



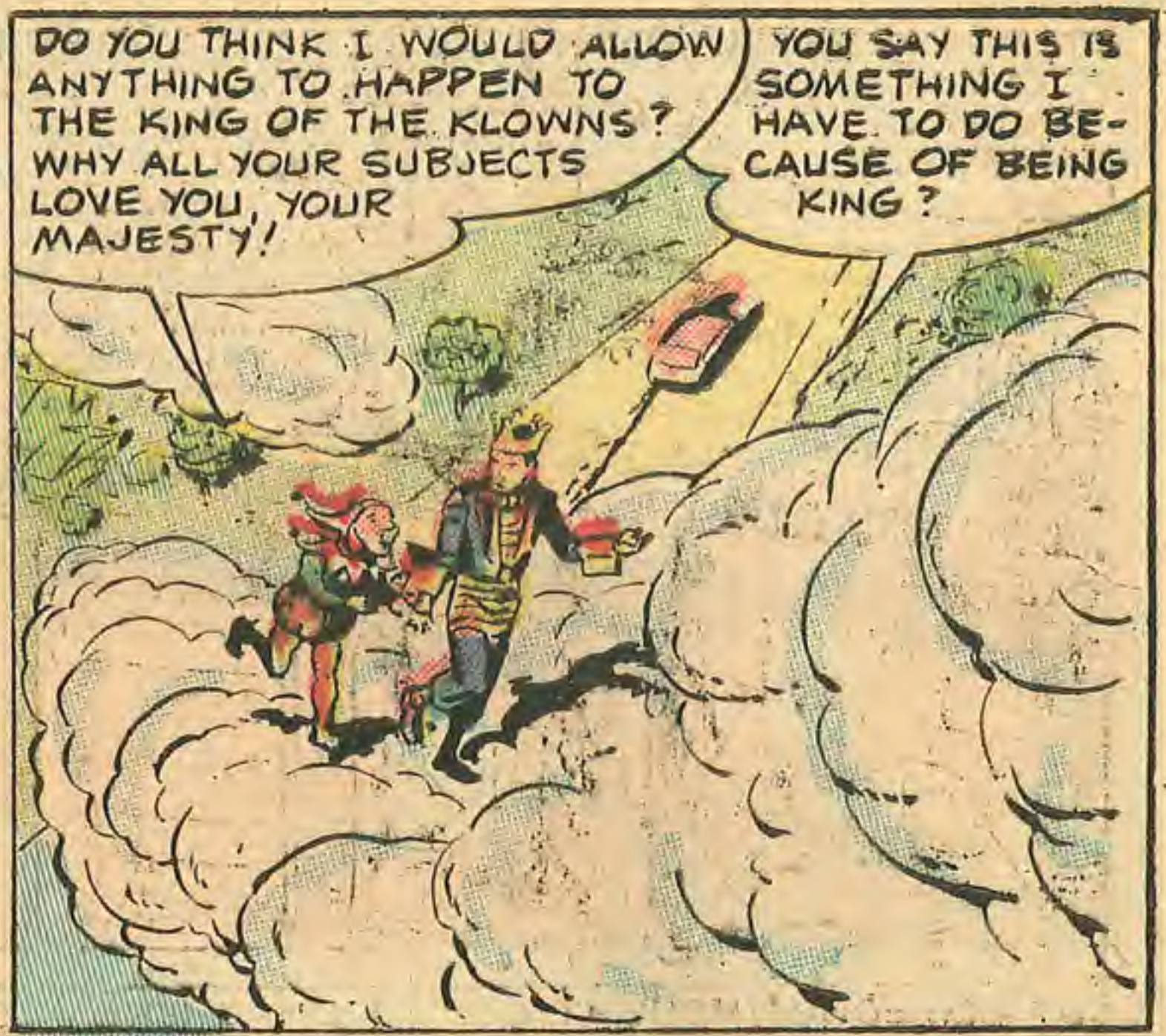
IF YOU WILL JUST FOLLOW ME, YOUR MAJESTY.

ULP... YES, SURE... I'LL BE RIGHT WITH YOU...



JUST TAKE MY HAND AND EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT.

I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING... A MAN COULD GET KILLED DOING THIS!



DO YOU THINK I WOULD ALLOW ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO THE KING OF THE KLOWNS? WHY ALL YOUR SUBJECTS LOVE YOU, YOUR MAJESTY!

YOU SAY THIS IS SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO BECAUSE OF BEING KING?



OF COURSE, SIRE. IT IS THE DUTY OF ALL KLOWNS TO HELP YOU, THE KING, MAKE PEOPLE LAUGH... BUT YOU, TOO, HAVE SOME DUTIES TO PERFORM.

THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF IT. WHERE ARE WE GOING?



RIGHT THERE... WE'RE GOING TO SEE ALL THE OLD JOKES AT HOME!

OH, I SEE... OR DO I? ASK A STUPID QUESTION, YOU GET A STUPID ANSWER!



AH! WE'RE ALMOST THERE. THEY'LL ALL BE WAITING FOR YOU!

THAT'S NICE.

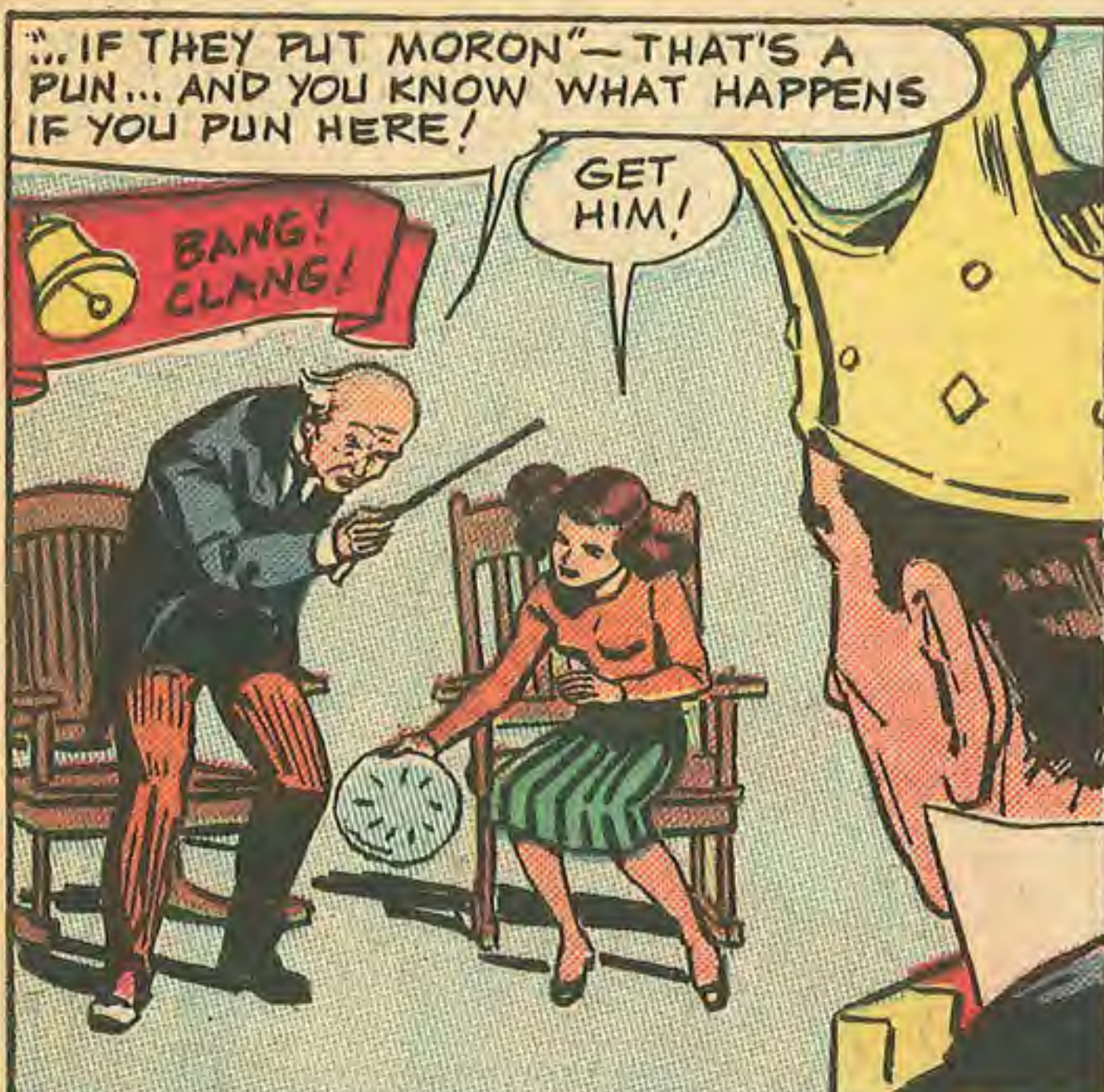
I WISH I KNEW WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT.

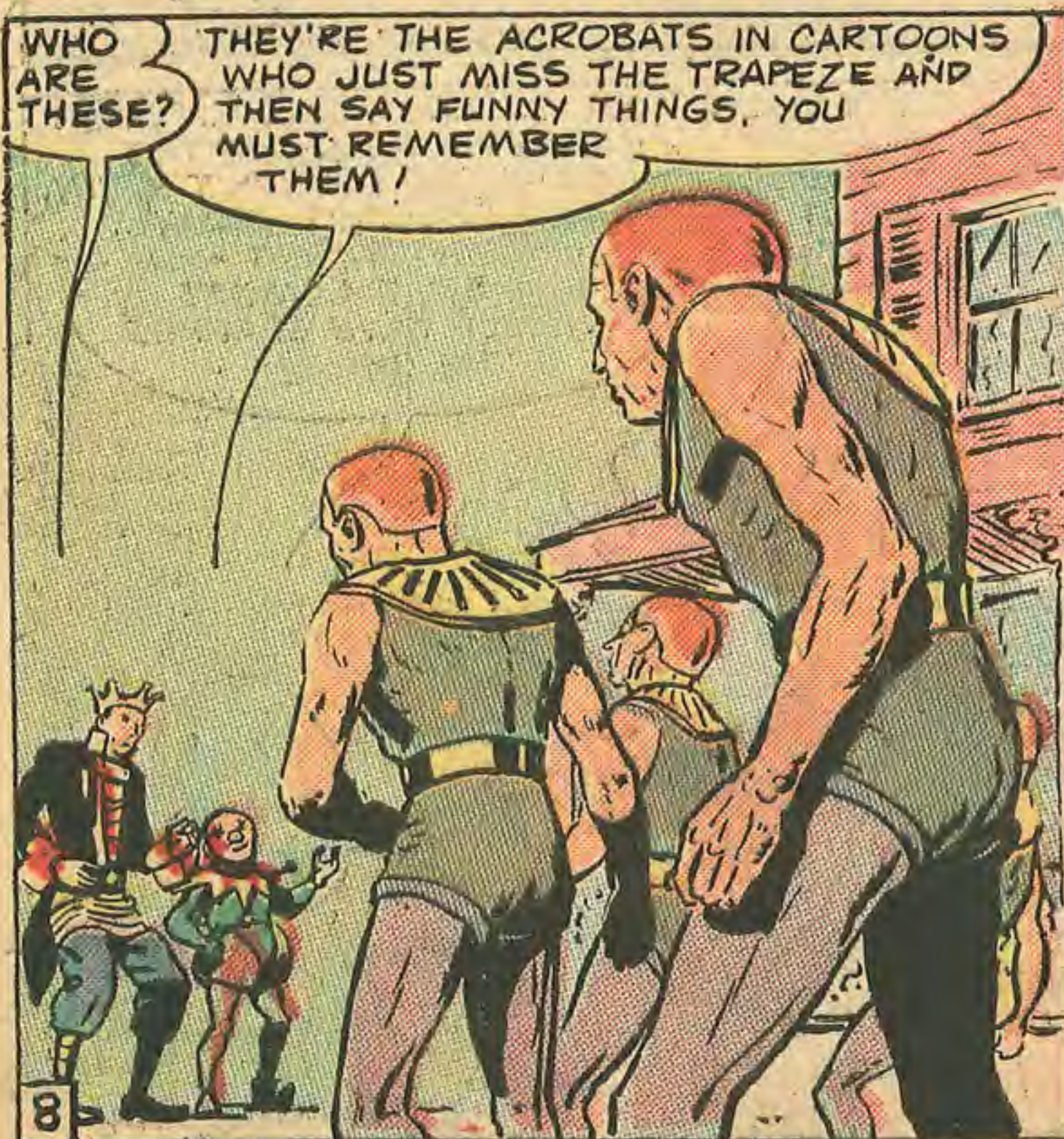
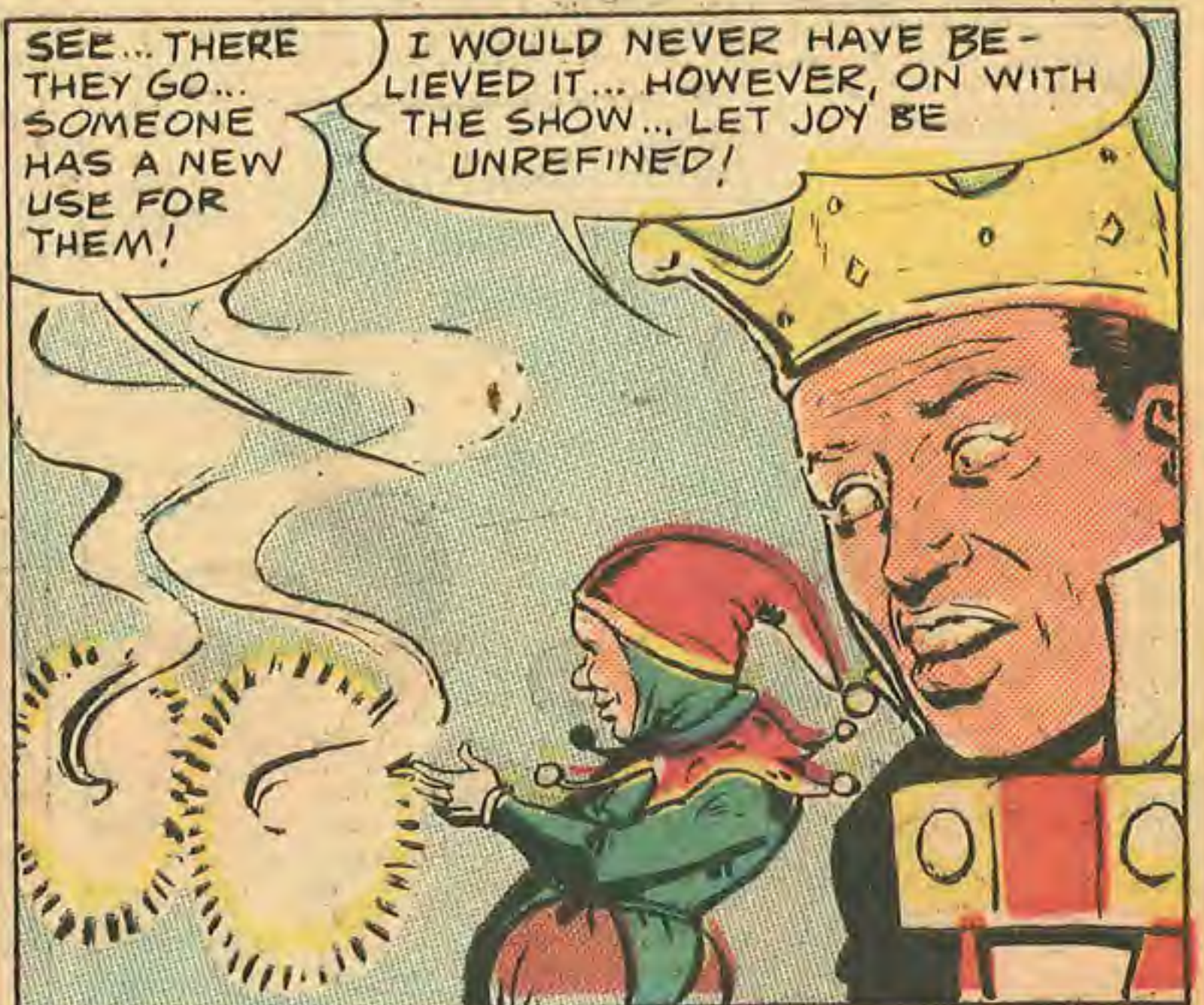
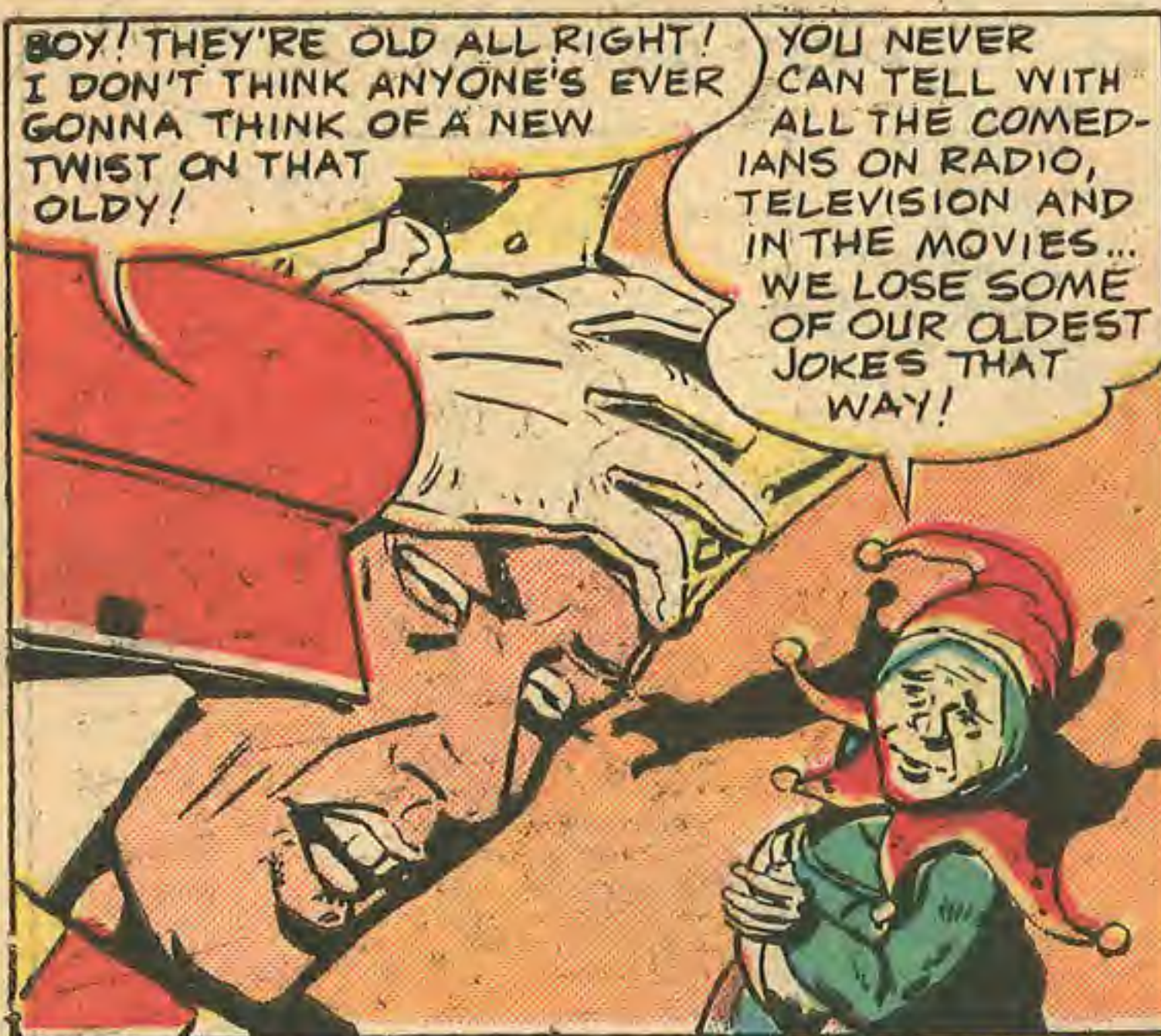
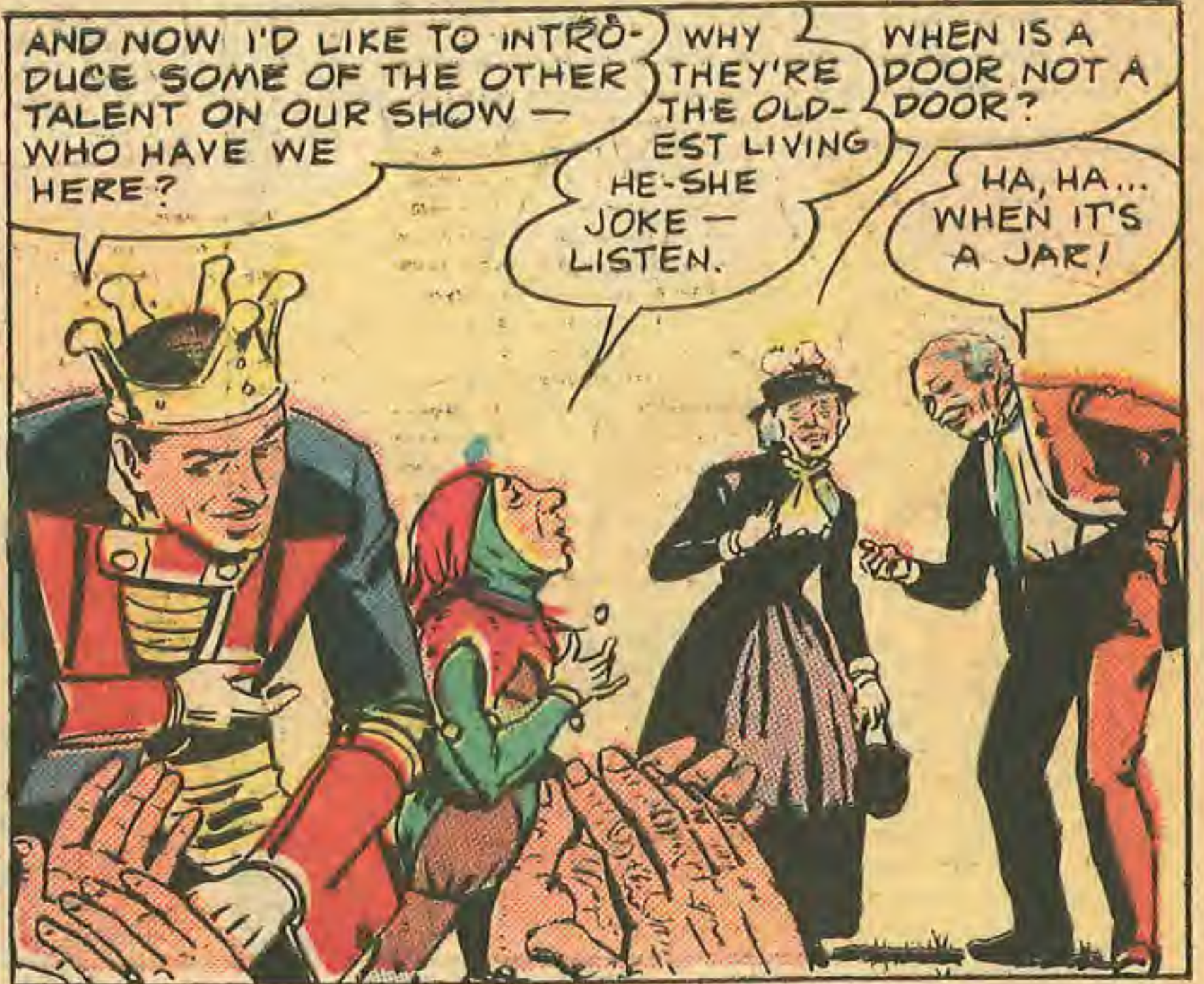


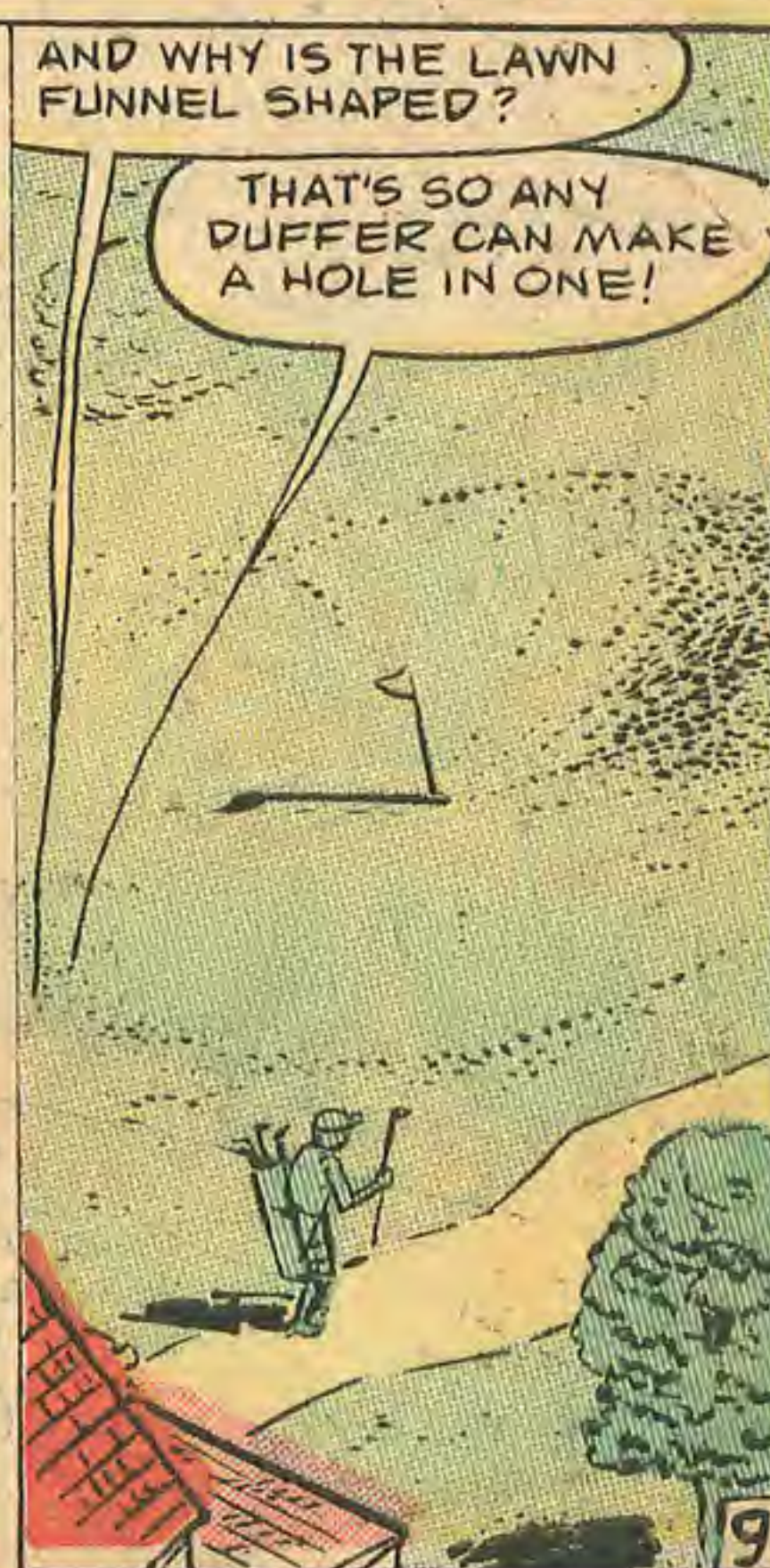
YOU MUST TRY TO BE ESPECIALLY FUNNY TONIGHT... SOME OF THESE OLD JOKES ARE PRETTY SAD.

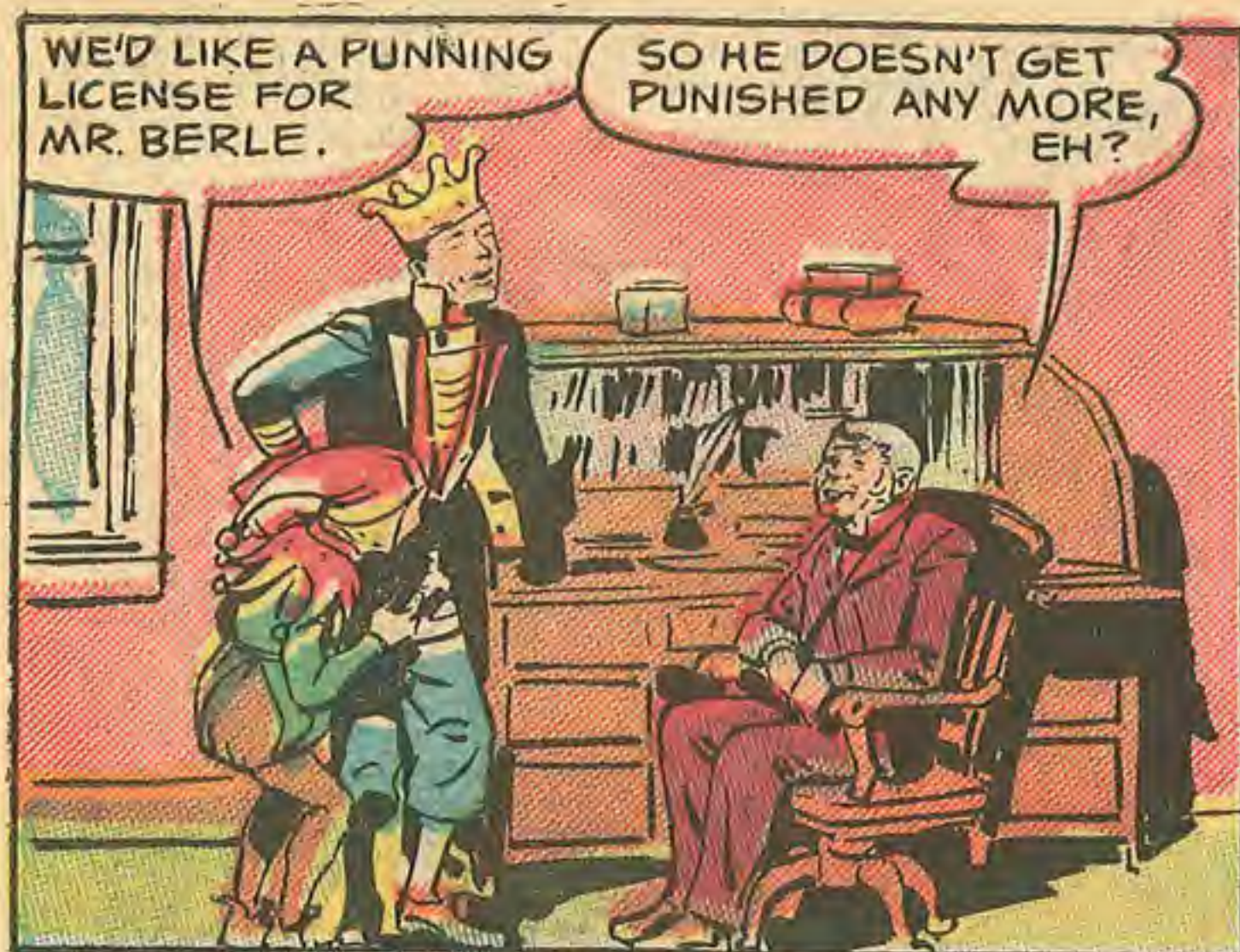
I'LL DO MY BEST.











WE'D LIKE A PUNNING LICENSE FOR MR. BERLE.

SO HE DOESN'T GET PUNISHED ANY MORE, EH?



THERE YOU ARE, MR. BERLE... NOW YOU ARE LICENSED TO MAKE ANY PUN THAT YOU LIKE.

CAN I EVEN PULL OLD ONES LIKE "OH, LOOK AT THE OPAL RING... OPAL YOUR EYES WIDER, THAT'S A DIAMOND"?



GEE, A SWIMMING POOL... I'D LIKE A SWIM...

GO AHEAD... NO ONE'S GOING TO STOP YOU...



WHILE UNCLE MILTY CHANGES INTO HIS SWIMMING SUIT...

SSST... HURRY UP EVERYONE... HE'S GOING FOR A SWIM!

HO, HO, HA, HA... IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE ANYONE FELL FOR THAT!



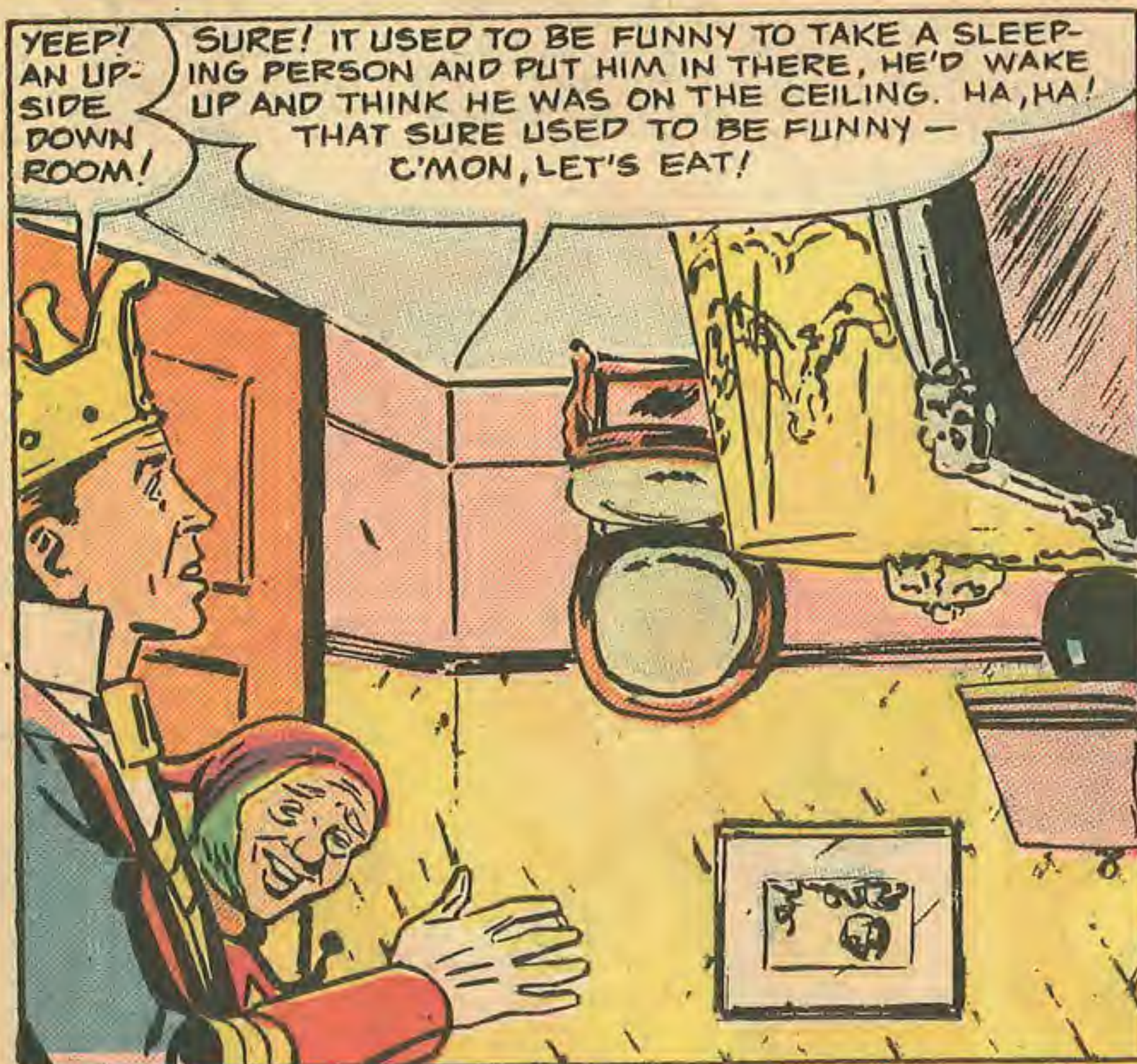
THIS SHOULD REFRESH ME... I'M A LITTLE TIRED.

GO AHEAD... YOU'LL COME OUT LOOKING LIKE A NEW MAN!



GAH! THIS ISN'T WATER!

THAT'S ONE OF OUR OLDEST PRACTICAL JOSES! THAT'S GREEN LIME JELLO! EAT YOUR WAY OUT!







OOPS... I'M LATE! I FORGOT—I HAVE A BENEFIT TO DO TONIGHT!

WAIT... I'LL HELP YOU, YOUR MAJESTY!



THANKS FOR COMING, YOUR MAJESTY! YOU WERE A LOT OF FUN!

GLAD YOU LIKED IT... SEE YOU SOON AGAIN!



GEE, I DON'T KNOW HOW I COULD HAVE FORGOTTEN ABOUT THAT BENEFIT FOR OLD FOLKS... THEY'LL BE TERRIBLY DISAPPOINTED IF I DON'T SHOW UP!

DON'T TRIP OVER KILROY... HE'S ALWAYS AHEAD OF YOU



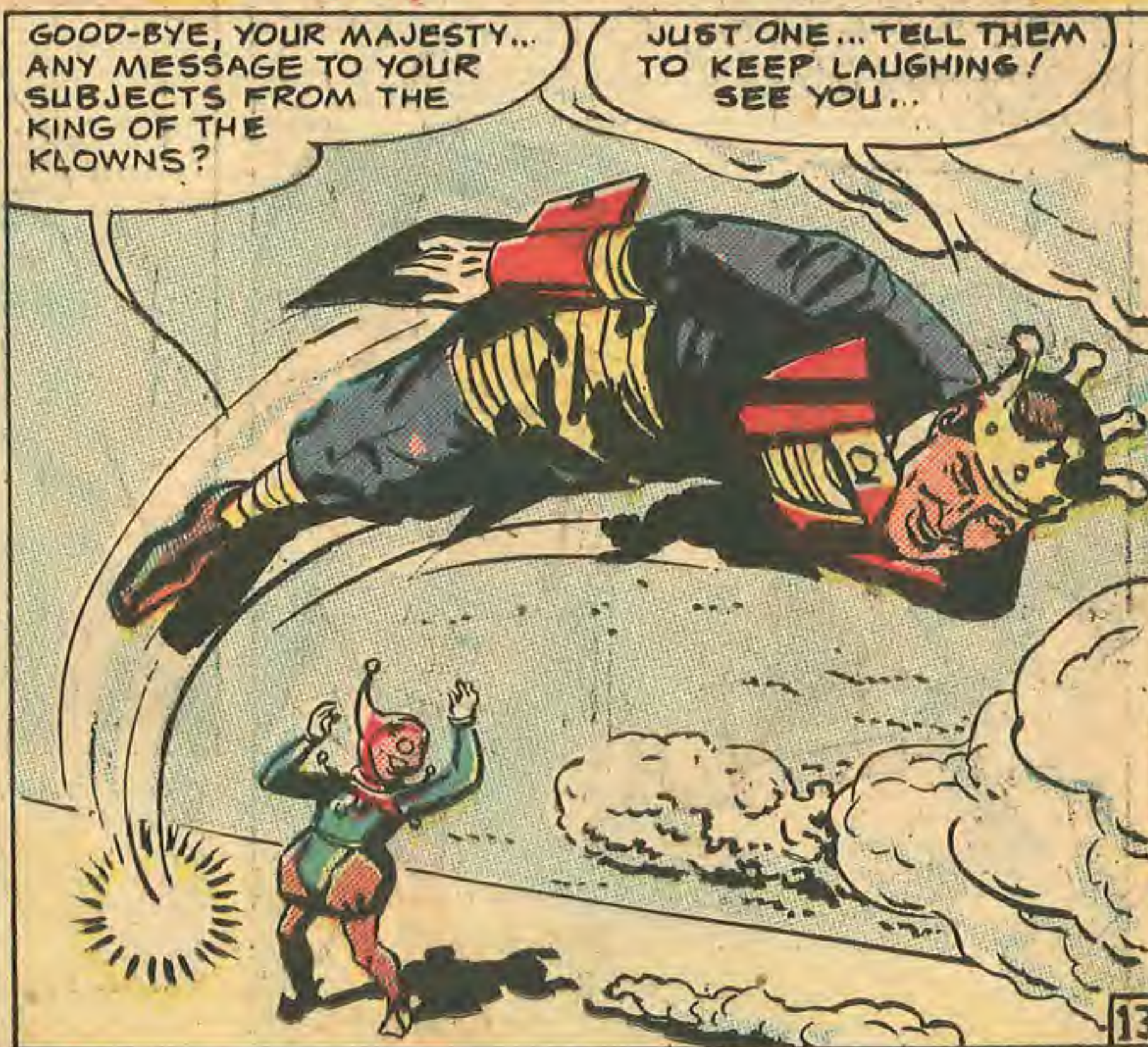
ULP... I'M GOING TO TRIP ON HIM—NO, THERE HE GOES!

YES, SOMEONE MUST HAVE THOUGHT OF A NEW KILROY GAG—AND ABOUT TIME... HE WAS GETTING TO BE A NUISANCE AROUND HERE!



THAT CAR... THAT'S MY CAR—HOW CAN I CATCH IT?

RELAX, YOUR MAJESTY... I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT!



GOOD-BYE, YOUR MAJESTY... ANY MESSAGE TO YOUR SUBJECTS FROM THE KING OF THE KLOWNS?

JUST ONE... TELL THEM TO KEEP LAUGHING! SEE YOU...

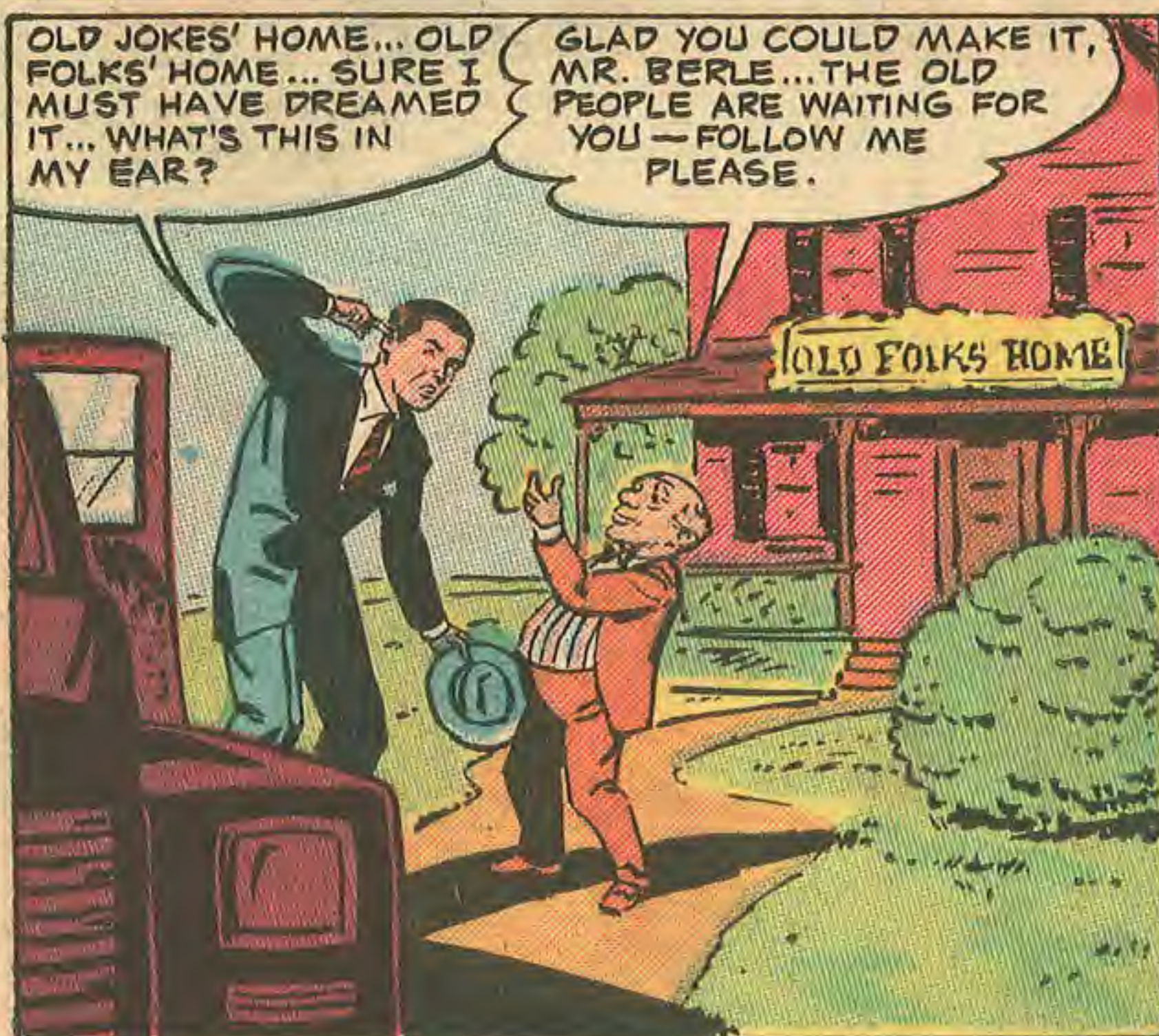


GEE, I'M GLAD MILTON WAS ABLE TO GET A NAP. HE WAS TIRED! BUT I HAVE TO WAKE HIM NOW... THERE'S THE OLD FOLKS' HOME UP AHEAD...



WAKE UP... COME ON, RISE AND SHINE!

WHO ME? I WASN'T ASLEEP... I DID A SHOW FOR THE OLD JOKES' HOME... ULP! MAYBE I WAS ASLEEP!



OLD JOKES' HOME... OLD FOLKS' HOME... SURE I MUST HAVE DREAMED IT... WHAT'S THIS IN MY EAR?

GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT, MR. BERLE... THE OLD PEOPLE ARE WAITING FOR YOU - FOLLOW ME PLEASE.



LIME JELLO IN MY EAR... HOW COULD THAT HAVE HAPPENED? - WHY WHEN I DOVE INTO THAT PRACTICAL JOKE POOL...



AND NOW TO INTRODUCE THE MAN YOU HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR... UNCLE MILTY - MILTON BERLE, THE KING OF KLOWNS...

COULD IT BE THAT I WASN'T DREAMING? NO, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

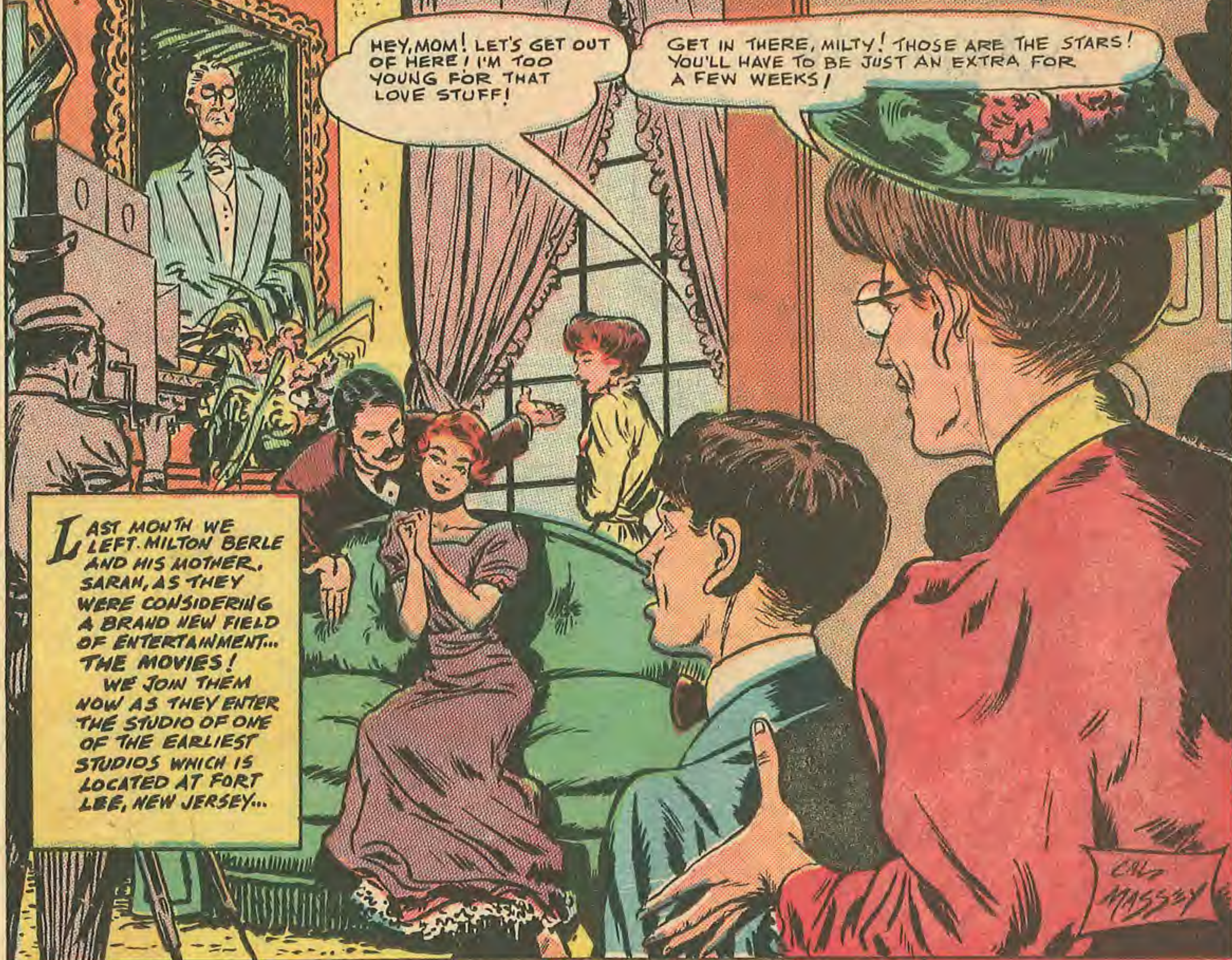


JACKET'S WET FROM DRIBBLE GLASS... NO, IT CAN'T BE!

AH... GOOD EVENING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...

FROM THAT NIGHT TO THIS, UNCLE MILTY'S NEVER BEEN SURE WHETHER HE REALLY WENT TO THE OLD JOKES' HOME OR NOT... BUT HE WOWED 'EM AT THE OLD FOLKS' HOME ANYHOW... JUST AS HE WILL YOU EVERY BERLE NIGHT. WATCH FOR HIM... LISTEN TO HIM... LAUGH WITH HIM, FOR HE IS THE REAL KING OF KLOWNS!

THE **MILTON BERLE** STORY





LIGHTS... ACTION... CAMERA! AND MILTY MAKES HIS DEBUT BEFORE THE CAMERAS!

GEE, I HOPE I GET MY LINES RIGHT. THIS COULD LEAD TO A STARRING ROLE!

YOU'RE LATE, WAITER! LET ME LOOK AT OUR CAKE!

HOW DOES YOUR CAKE LOOK, SIR?

IT LOOKS BETTER ON YOU!

?

MILTY, YOU WERE TERRIFIC! WHAT POISE! WHAT FINESSE!

AW, IT WASN'T NOTHIN'! YOU OUGHT TO SEE ME DO MY STUFF WITH LEMON MERINGUE!

IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE MOVIES, THE STRESS WAS ON ACTION AND VISUAL COMEDY... THE JOKE WASN'T HEARD... IT WAS SEEN!

PARDNER, YOU'RE ASITIN' IN MY CHAIR AND I WANT IT!

RECKON YOU CAN HAVE IT, PARDNER. HERE!

DARLING, PROMISE YOU'LL NEVER LEAVE ME!

DON'T WORRY, GAL, I'LL ALWAYS BE AT YOUR SIDE!

GET A GOOD GRIP ON YOUR PAINT BRUSH, MILTY! I'M GOING TO MOVE THIS LADDER!

MILTY WORKED HARD AND SOON WAS PLAYING BIT PARTS... BUT, MOM WAS STARTING TO WORRY ABOUT MILTY... SHE NOTICED HE SEEMED DEPRESSED AT TIMES...

WHAT'S TROUBLING YOU, MILTY? YOU SEEM TO BE THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE ALL THE TIME!

IT'S NOTHING, MOM! DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!



BUT, MOM DID WORRY ABOUT MILTY... ONE NIGHT, AS SHE WAS GETTING READY TO GO TO BED, SHE PASSED MILTY'S ROOM...

I WONDER WHERE MILTY'S GOING SO LATE AT NIGHT! I WONDER IF HE'S IN SOME KIND OF TROUBLE...



I'D BETTER FOLLOW MILTY! HE MIGHT BE IN TROUBLE AND NOT WANT TO WORRY ME ABOUT IT!



MINUTES LATER...

THIS IS STRANGE! I'VE NEVER SEEN MILTY ACT THIS WAY BEFORE...



MILTY'S SICK! THIS IS TERRIBLE... THE POOR BOY WOULDN'T TELL ME FOR FEAR I'D BE WORRIED!

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



MAYBE THIS NURSE CAN TELL ME WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY MILTY!





PLEASE, NURSE, CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH MY SON, MILTY!

MILTY! I'LL HAVE TO CHECK THE RECORDS. I'M AFRAID I DON'T RECALL THE NAME.



IT'S ALL RIGHT, NURSE JENNINGS! COME WITH ME, MRS. BERLE AND I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOUR SON, MILTY!



IS IT... IS IT SERIOUS, NURSE?

WELL, I DON'T THINK HE'LL EVER GET RID OF IT...



NOW, TELL ALL THESE NICE KIDDIES WHO IS THE GREATEST COMEDIAN IN THE WORLD IS!

I AM, DOPEY! HA, HA! THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO SAY MILTON BERLE, DIDN'T YOU?



MILTY'S BEEN COMING OVER TO THE HOSPITAL EVERY NIGHT FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS! HE VISITS A DIFFERENT WARD EVERY NIGHT! THE KIDS LOVE HIM!

I'M SO PROUD OF MILTY!



ONE HOUR LATER...

MOM! I DIDN'T MEAN ANY...

IT'S ALL RIGHT, MILTY! YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD ME... YOU'RE WONDERFUL!



YOU SEE, MOM, I LIKE THE MOVIES FINE... BUT I JUST HAD TO PLAY BEFORE AN AUDIENCE I COULD SEE AND FEEL...

I UNDERSTAND, MILTY... WE'LL SEE WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT...

Uncle Miltu ~~likes~~ A PRESS AGENT

YEARS AGO, WHEN MILTON BERLE WAS JUST GETTING STARTED IN THE ENTERTAINMENT WORLD HIS GREATEST TROUBLE WAS GAINING A REPUTATION... NOW HE REALIZED THAT IN ORDER TO RISE TO THE TOP HE HAD TO BECOME WELL-KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY... AND SO MILTON MADE A TREMENDOUS DECISION... HE WAS GOING TO USE ALL OF HIS MEAGER FUNDS TO HIRE A BIG-SHOT PRESS AGENT...



BUT I HAVEN'T EVEN READ THIS CONTRACT...

DON'T WORRY, MY BOY, YOU CAN READ IT AFTER YOU SIGN IT! THAT'LL BE ONE-HUNDRED DOLLARS PLEASE.

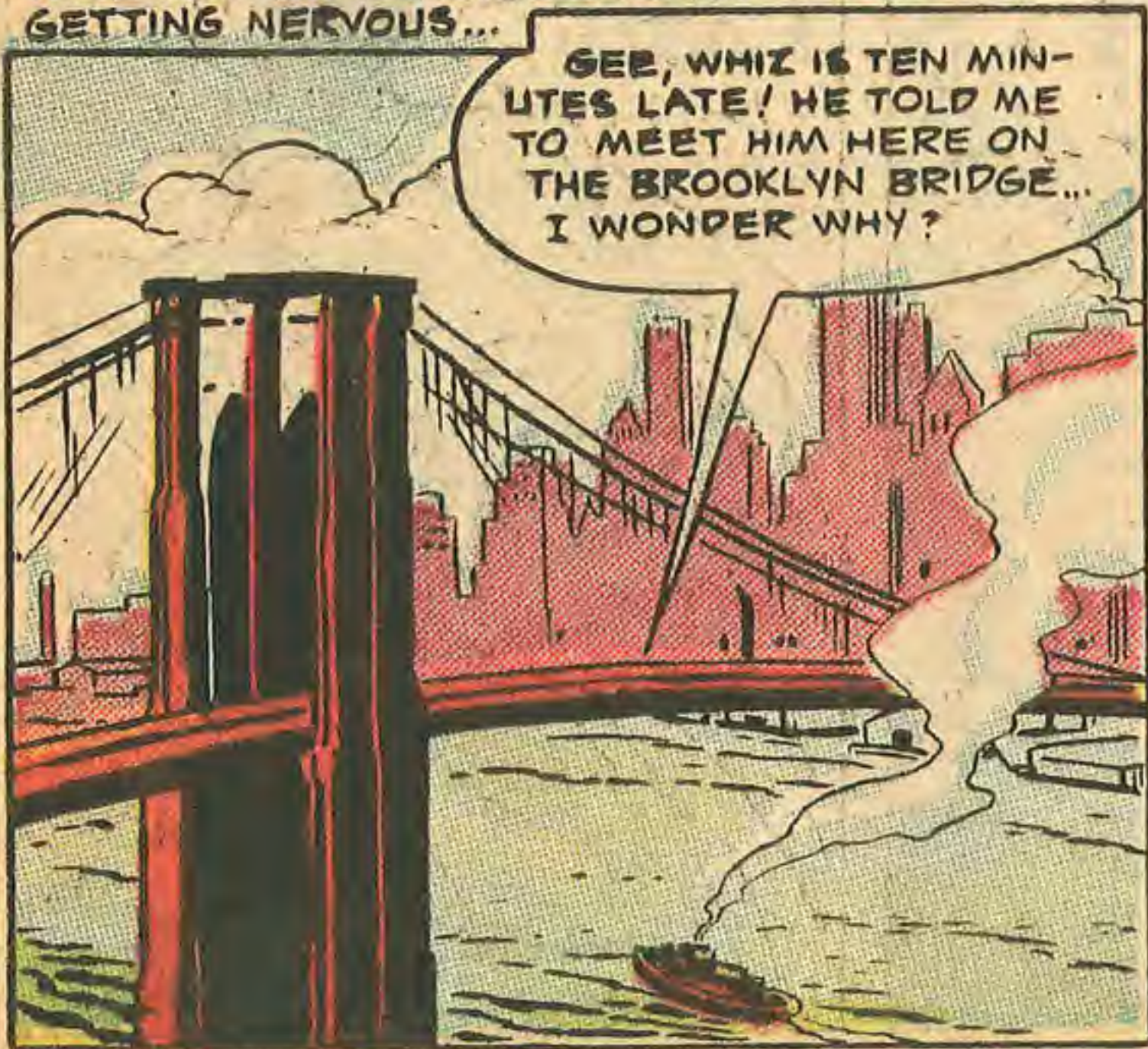


I'M A LITTLE SHORT, WHIZ, I'VE ONLY GOT EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-EIGHT CENTS...

FORGET IT, SON! YOU CAN PAY ME THE DIFFERENCE LATER... AT TEN PERCENT INTEREST!

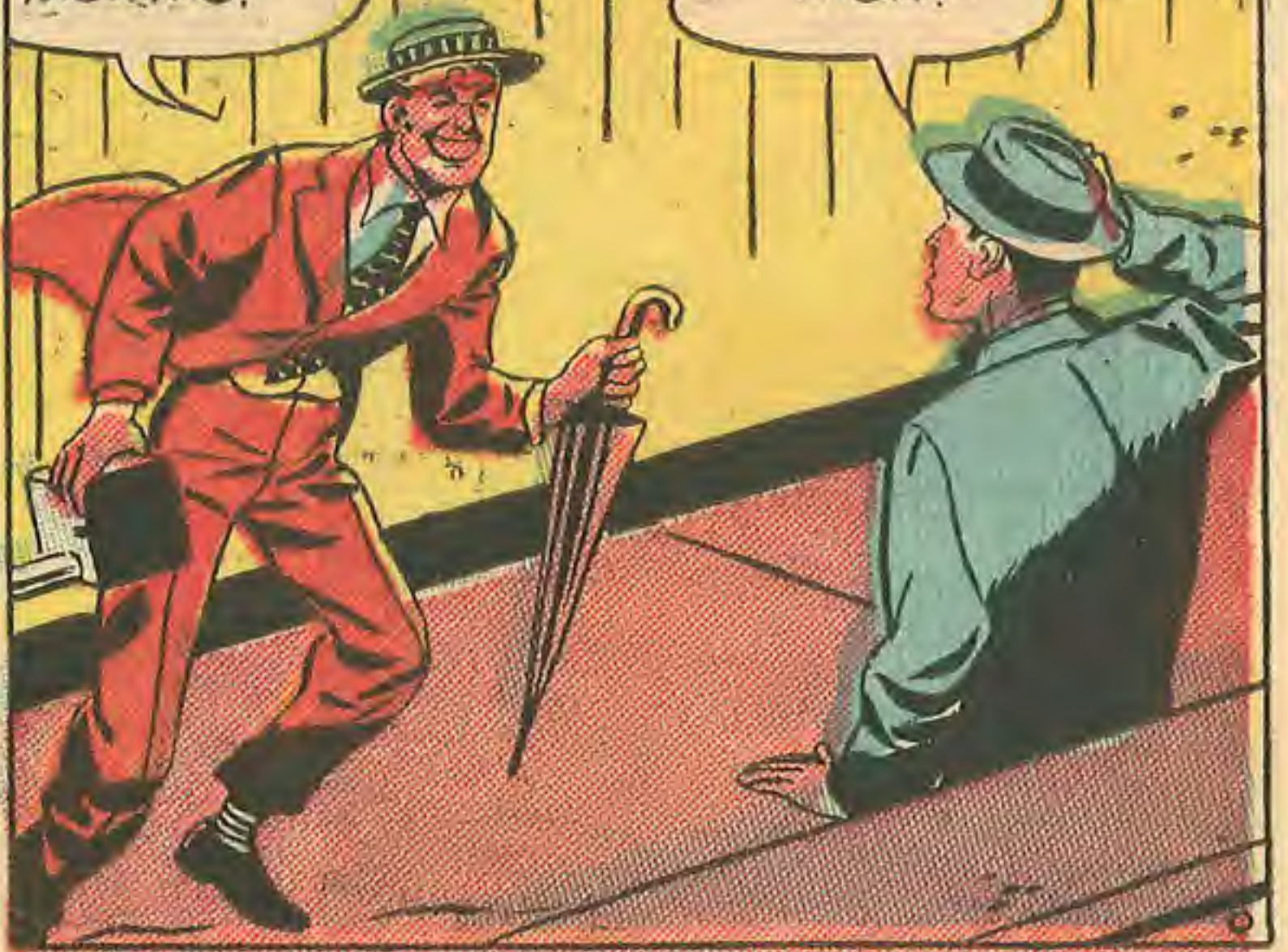


NEXT DAY, MILTON IS WAITING FOR WHIZ WATSON... WHIZ IS A FEW MINUTES LATE AND MILTON IS GETTING NERVOUS...



GOOD BOY, MILTY! HERE, TAKE THIS UMBRELLA... I GOT A STUNT THAT'LL MAKE YOU HEADLINE STUFF FOR MONTHS!

THAT'S SWELL, WHIZ, BUT LET'S HURRY OFF THE BRIDGE... I GET AWFUL DIZZY WHEN I'M UP HIGH!



DON'T FRET, MILTY, YOU'LL BE DOWN AT SEA LEVEL IN A JIFFY... JUST OPEN THE UMBRELLA AND JUMP OVER THE RAIL! YOU'LL BE A SECOND STEVE BRODIE!



YEAH, I CAN SEE IT NOW... WOW! WHAT A SPLASH I'D MAKE!



GET A GOOD SHOT OF ME, WHIZ! OH, BROTHER, HOLLYWOOD HERE I COME!

WATCH THAT UMBRELLA, MILTY, IT COST ME A BUCK AND A HALF!



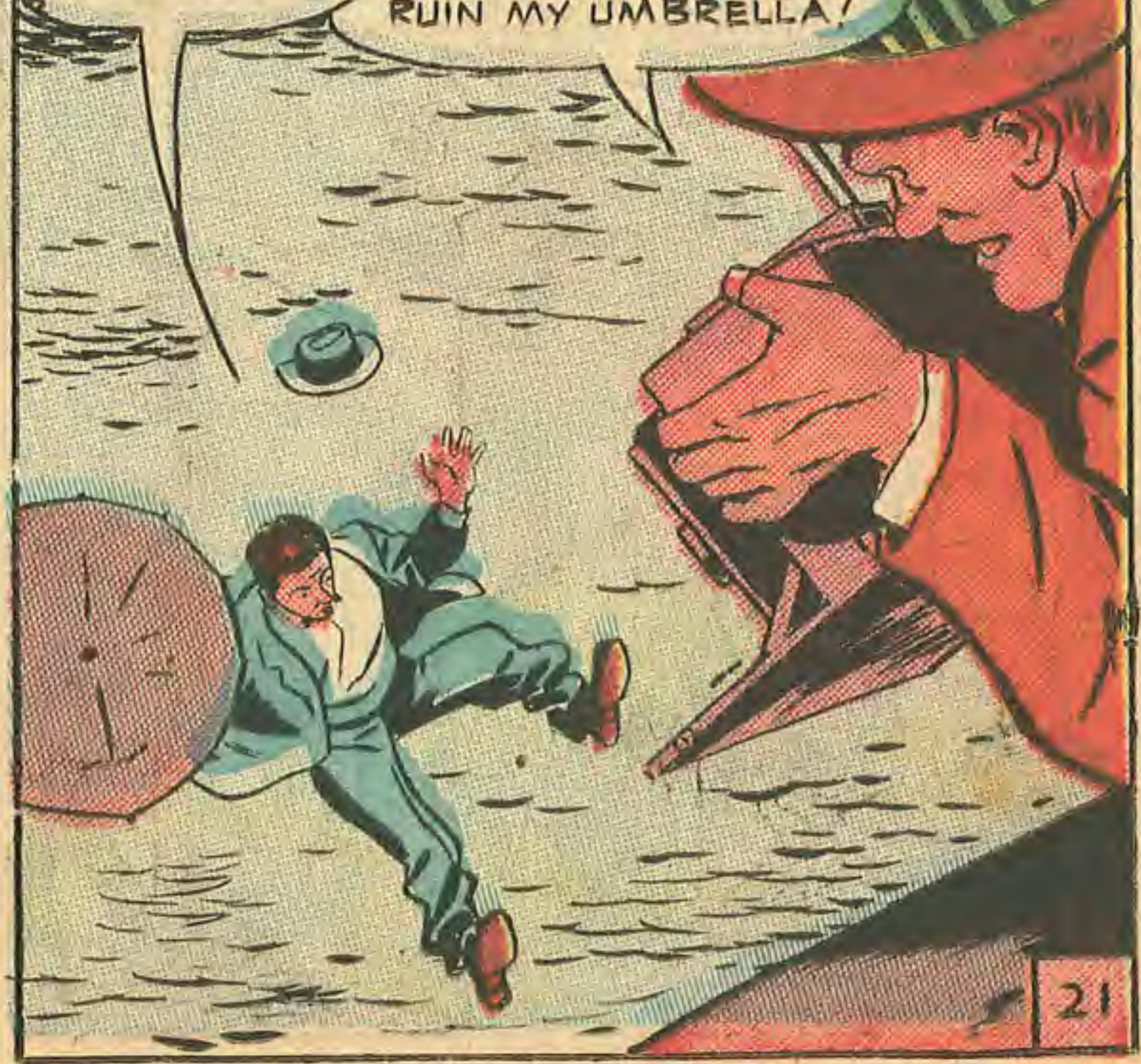
WHIZ! I JUST REMEMBERED... STEVE BRODIE IS DEAD! GET ME OFF THIS RAIL!

DON'T BE SILLY, MILTY! WOULDN'T YOU RATHER BE A DEAD CELEBRITY THAN A LIVE NOBODY?



NO...OOO...

HOPE MILTY DOESN'T RUIN MY UMBRELLA!





WHALE OFF THE STARBOARD
ACT!! FETCH ME MY WHALIN'
IRON, NEWT... NEVER SEEN
THE LIKES OF THIS IN
THESE WATERS!

OOF! RIGHT
AWAY,
CAPTAIN!

LOOKS LIKE
A SOLID
STRIKE...
MUST BE A
BIG'UN!



YOW!
I'VE BEEN
STABBED!



MINUTES LATER...

WHAT'S THE JOKE,
WHIZ! DID YOU
GET A GOOD
PICTURE OF
ME?

AH, HO, HO, HA! THIS'LL
KILL YA, MILTY... YOU SEE,
I FORGOT TO PUT FILM
IN MY CAMERA!
HA, HA!



GLUB...
BLUB

DON'T TAKE IT SO HARD,
MILTY... I GOT ANOTHER
REALLY TERRIFIC
IDEA!

NEXT DAY... WHIZ WATSON EXPLAINS HIS LATEST
SCHEME FOR GETTING FREE PUBLICITY
FOR MILTY...



SEE, MILTY, THIS FELLOW I HIRED
WILL BE ALONG IN A MINUTE...
THEN TWO MEN COME UP TO
HIM AND FAKE A HOLDUP...
THAT'S WHERE YOU
COME IN!

IT'S A PIP! I GO
TO HIS RESCUE
AND MAKE LIKE
I'M BEATIN' THE
TWO GANGSTERS
UP... BOY, WHAT A
HERO I'LL BE!



HERE COMES ONE
OF THE GUYS I
HIRED NOW... GO
TO IT, MILTY!

WATCH ME DO MY STUFF...
MAKE SURE THE REPOR-
TERS SPELL MY NAME
RIGHT!





YOW! ALL I HAVE TO DO NOW IS GET LOCKED UP!

STOP THAT MAN! HE BUSTED OUR WINDOW!



IMAGINE A MAN PLAYING TAG AT YOUR AGE!

NEXT MORNING, WHIZ WATSON IS ON THE JOB EARLY...

I FIXED EVERYTHING, MILTY, YOU GET OUT AS SOON AS YOU PAY FOR THE WINDOW! IT'S TWENTY-FIVE BUCKS!

...AND I WAS SAVING MY LAST TWENTY-FIVE BUCKS FOR TRAIN FARE HOME! HERE, PAY OFF FOR ME, WHIZ - I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL LIKE A CANARY!



LATER

THIS IS IT, MILTY! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SIT... NOTHING ELSE. JUST SIT AND WAIT FOR FAME TO COME TO YOU!

WELL, I DON'T KNOW, WHIZ... AW, OKAY... BUT IF I DON'T MAKE THE GRADE, I'M GOING BACK HOME!

THE NEXT DAY...

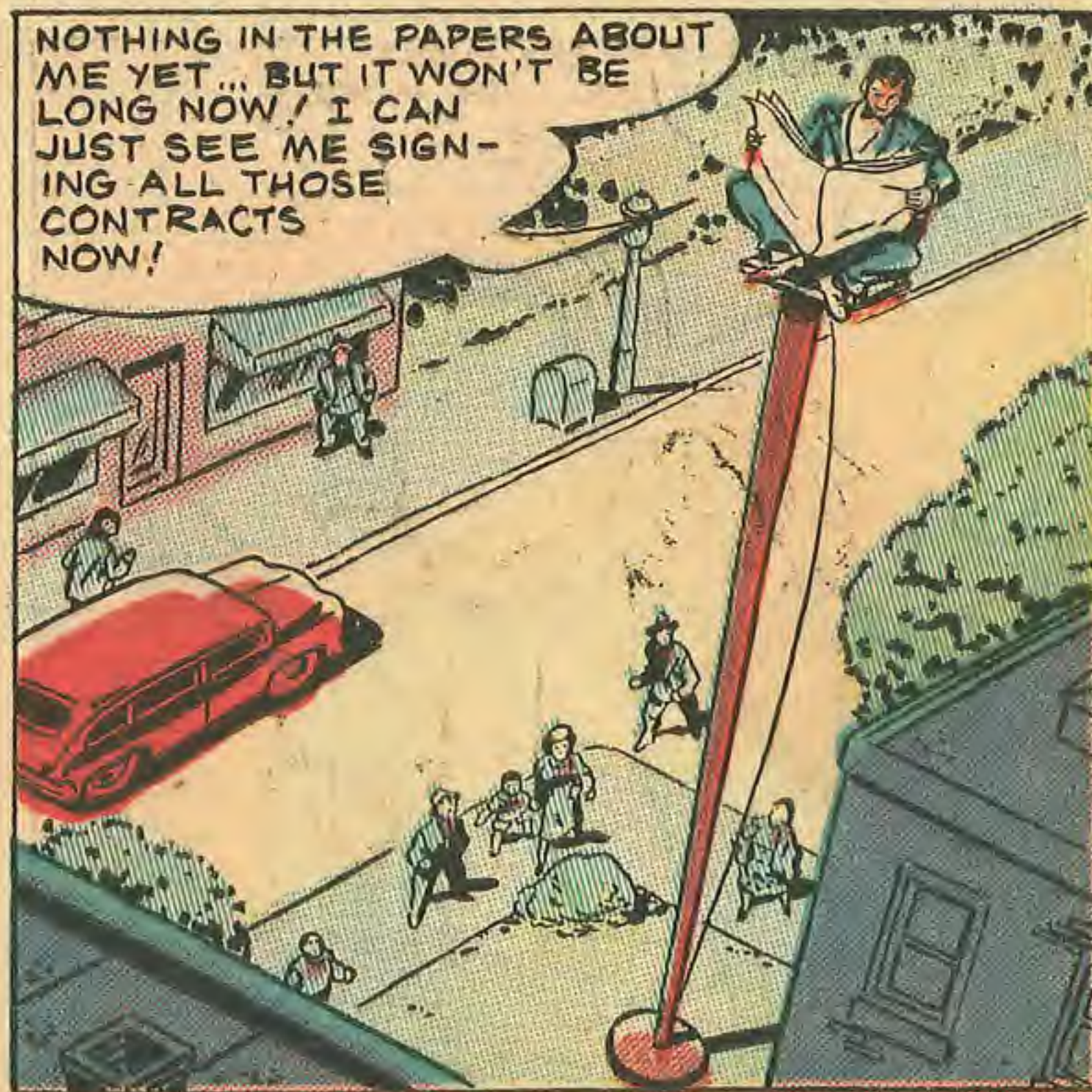


THIS SHOULD DO IT! I'LL BE IN EVERY PAPER IN THE COUNTRY... GEE, AND ONLY NINETY-EIGHT MORE DAYS TO GO!

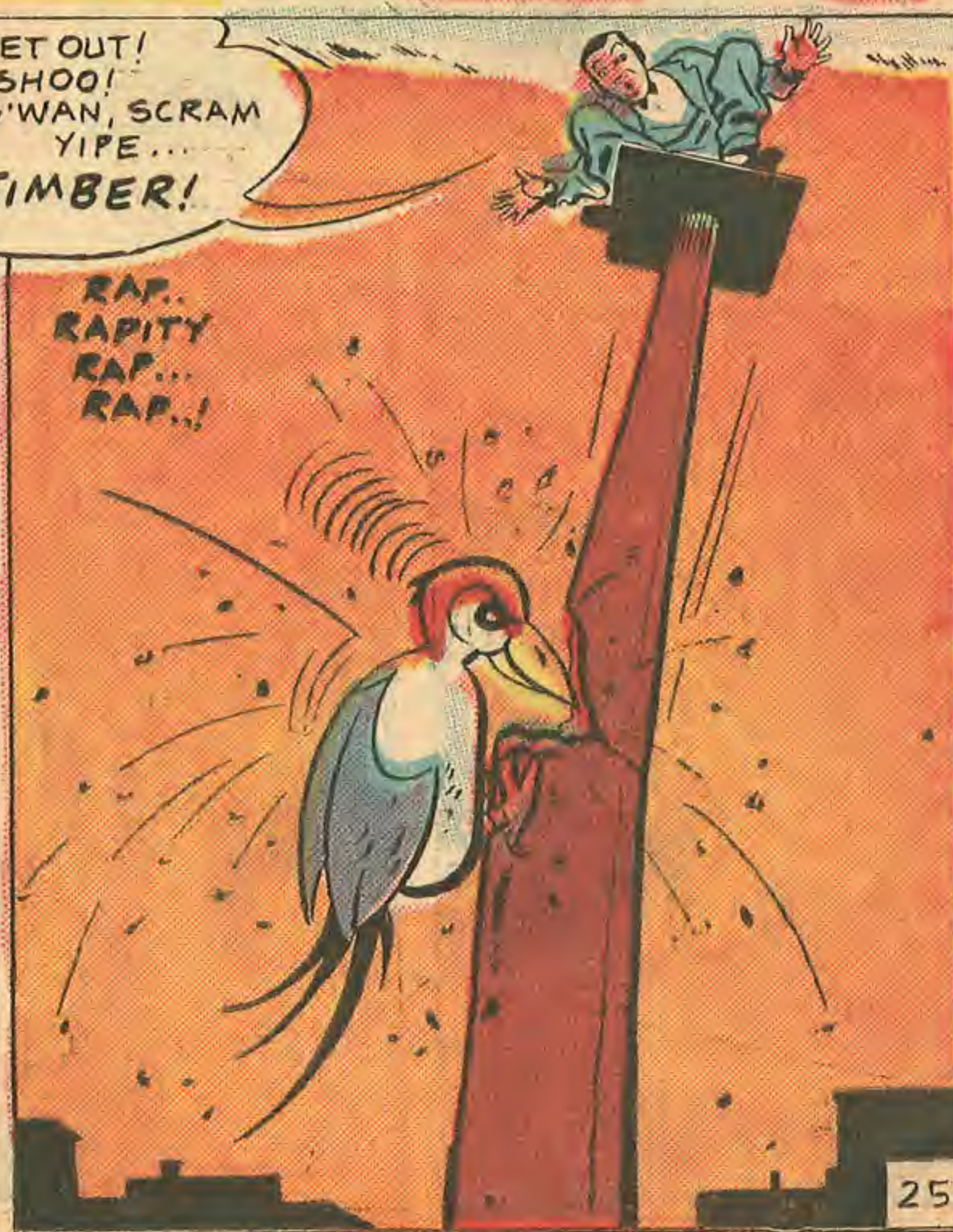
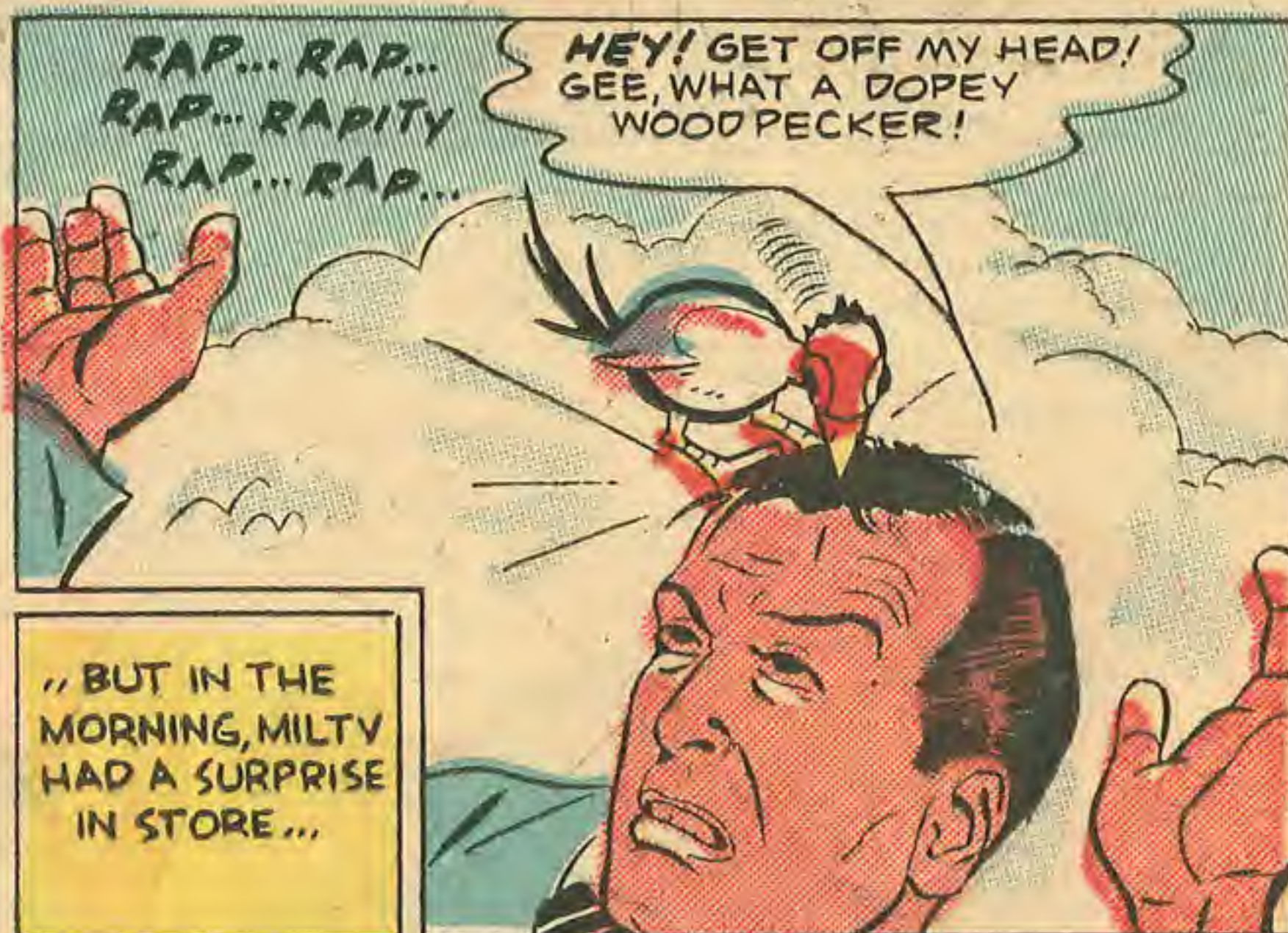


IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT UP THERE, MILTY?

EVERYTHING'S FINE, WHIZ - EXCEPT THAT IT'S AWFUL LONELY!



NOTHING IN THE PAPERS ABOUT ME YET... BUT IT WON'T BE LONG NOW! I CAN JUST SEE ME SIGNING ALL THOSE CONTRACTS NOW!





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THE GRUMBLER!

by Milton Berle



YOU ALL know this type of fellow . . . the chronic grumbler, I mean. Nothing ever goes right for him. Of course, it's never HIS fault. No Sir! It's always somebody who has it in for him' or 'bad luck'!

This type of fellow goes through life looking for the worst . . . and he usually finds it. Take the little matter of homework. Here the Grumbler is at his best. He knows tomorrow he may be called on in class to answer teacher's questions. He is aware that the night before he was supposed to do a little reading and come up with the answers!

But what does the Grumbler do? Does he do his homework? No! Not the Grumbler! He's the lad who laughs at the smart kids who are willing to plug away at their schoolwork. Schoolwork? Don't make the Grumbler laugh. After all, he KNOWS you can't get anywhere in this world by hard work. All you need, according to the Grumbler, is a break, some pull, or a rich father!

So the Grumbler spends his time amusing himself and never does find time to do his homework. He's usually a fairly bright lad, however. His thinking is apt to run something like this. 'Hmmm . . . History quiz tomorrow. Let me see . . . there's fifty kids in my class and the

teacher probably will ask about ten questions. That makes the odds five-to-one against being called on. No use wasting my time studying. I won't be called on anyway.'

But next day in class who do you think is called first? That's right . . . the Grumbler! Boy and is he mad! The teacher's pickin' on him, he thinks.

Well, the term rolls around to its conclusion and final marks are given out. Now the Grumbler knows just how much pressure to put on to come up with a passing grade. But does he ever finish near the top of his class? Not the Grumbler! He's got an answer for that one, too.

He'll go to great pains to explain to anyone who will listen why he isn't top man in his class. His story runs something like this. 'Hah! Sure I only got a passing mark. But that doesn't mean I'm not the smartest kid in the class. After all, if I had spent as much time with the books as Billy Gordon did I'd have been way ahead of him.'

That's where the Grumbler makes his big mistake. He doesn't realize that's where the REAL brains come in . . . having the intelligence to know you can't learn anything unless you study! In truth, the Grumbler doesn't want to study because he is afraid. He's afraid that if he

DID study and DIDN'T top the class... well, then what could he say about Billy Gordon?

The Grumbler isn't always found in a school. He abounds on the speeding highways. He's the fellow who roars along miles above the speed limit and when someone pulls out from a side road and causes the Grumbler to twist and turn the wheel to avoid a crash, the Grumbler is the one to put ALL the blame on the other driver.

He's the one who can't understand why we have to have rules and regulations about certain things. But just let someone step on his toes and he is the first one to yell, 'There ought to be a law!'

The Grumbler is the kind of fellow who tries to do as little as possible when it comes to work. On the job he cuts corners and makes excuses. Somehow he never seems to get his job really completely finished. But when the Grumbler goes out for an evening's entertainment does he expect anyone else to act the way he does? You know the answer to that one!

If he's at a movie he gets irritated if the show doesn't start at precisely the right moment. In a restaurant he just waits for the waitress to make a mistake so he can say, 'Hmphh! She won't get a tip from me!'

On a crowded subway he enjoys sitting in front of a lady who is weary from a long day of shopping. Does he get up and offer her his seat? Not the Grumbler! He's got a good reason why he shouldn't get up! If the women want to vote and work like men, well, let them stand up on the subways like men! Chivalry, as far as he's concerned, was buried with King Arthur!

The Army has its Grumblers, too. Especially among recruits. When the sergeant tells him to put two blankets in his field pack, the Grumbler is sure to mutter something about 'Why carry all that weight?' The Grumbler has an angle for getting out of anything. So while all the other soldiers put two blankets in their field packs, the Grumbler only puts in one! He fills out the rest of his pack with newspaper to make it look as though he has two blankets.

Out into the field go the soldiers. Then night falls and the sergeant gives the order to bed down for the night. Who wakes up in the middle of the night shivering and complaining? The Grumbler!

It's the smart athlete who knows the value of good hard training. But, here too, the Grumbler is found. While the rest of the team is practicing, the Grumbler takes the easy way out and finds all sorts of excuses for not being on the playing field. Then when the big game is being played

and the coach looks the other way does the Grumbler feel any remorse? No! Instead he gets busy starting a vicious rumor campaign that the coach 'plays only his favorites!'

We find the Grumbler in politics and government, also. He's the man who firmly believes in good clean government with no special favors for anyone... except maybe him! If he wants a government job what is the first thing he does? Yes, Sir! He heads right for the busy politician and demands that he drop everything else and see to it that he gets pushed ahead of everyone else and into the job he wants!

If the Grumbler doesn't get the job he wants he is quick to inform the politician that he is going to vote for his opponent in the next election!

Even more serious is the Grumbler who has made a weak effort to go out and earn a living for himself. If he doesn't meet with immediate success he is positive something is wrong with the country. Certainly, he thinks, a man of my sterling ability would be able to get ahead if he had a fair chance. The Grumbler becomes more and more convinced that 'Wall Street' and 'Insiders' are to blame. He never gives a thought to squaring his shoulders and pitching in for all he's worth to carve out a place for himself in this great country of ours!

As you go through life you will find it very interesting to watch the Grumblers and try to figure out why they are in the position which they are in. In practically every case the fault rests with them.

What should you do if you wish to avoid becoming a Grumbler. Well, first of all, the most important thing to do is to prepare yourself for success. By that I mean you should take advantage of all the opportunities which present themselves from day to day.

When you are in school, study, and study hard! It may not seem important at the time but you can never tell when the lecture you slept through may have been the one which would have meant something very important in your life!

When you are on the athletic field, play, and play hard! Keep plugging and you are almost certain to get your chance! But the big thing is to be ready to take advantage of a break when it comes along! That's Berle for now... See you on radio and TV...

THE END

Herbert Berle

MARCO *Mr America* ★



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THREE TIMES AROUND THE HALL AND MARCO STAGGERS BACK... HE SEES THE SIGN...



GASP... PUFF... GASP... STUDIO 6 - THAT'S WHERE MILTON IS WORKING... GASP, PUFF... IN HERE.



MILTON... WHERE'S MILTON?

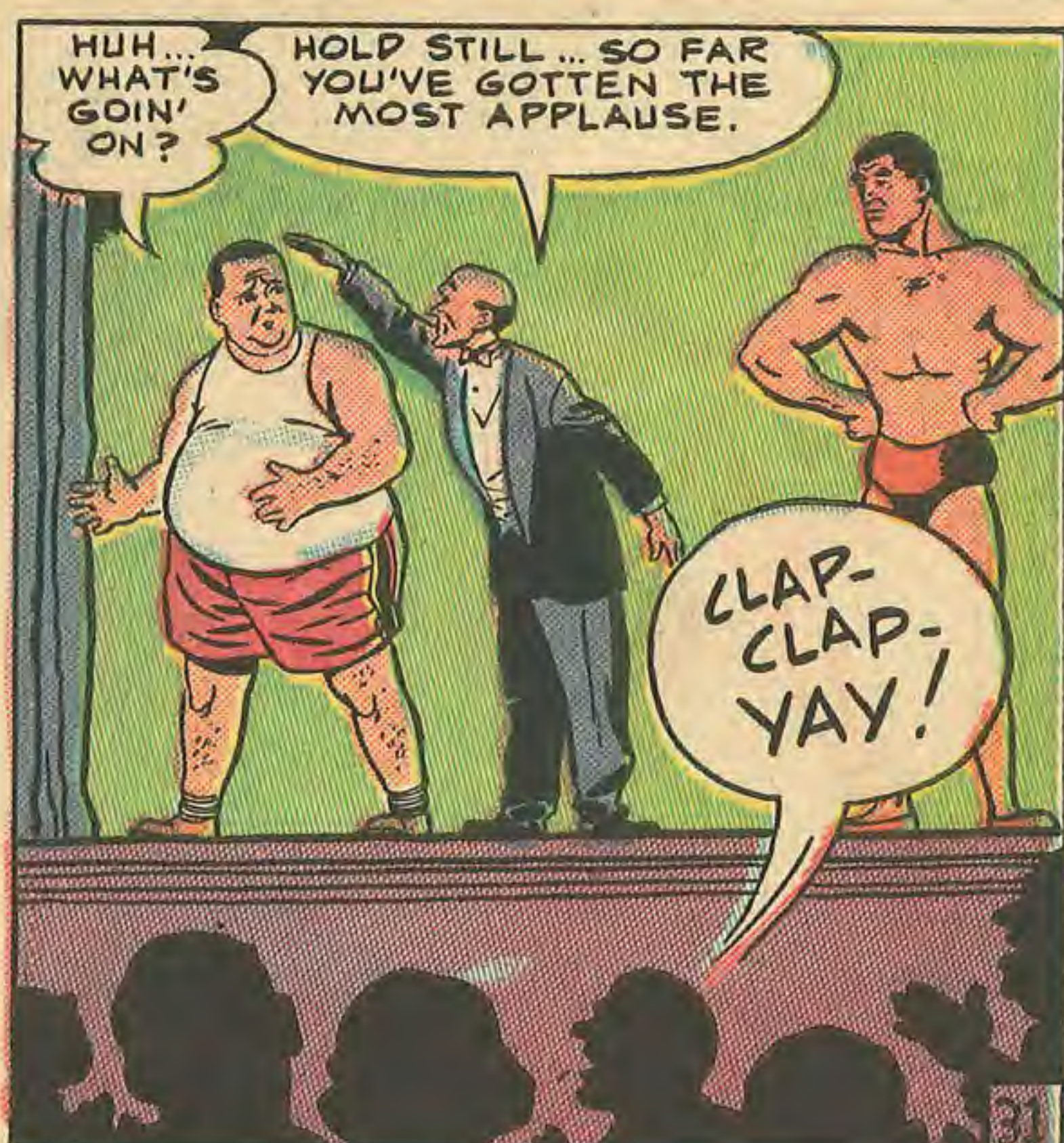
AND NOW WE'LL JUDGE THE MAN WITH THE BEST MUSCULATURE IN ALL AMERICA... YOUR APPLAUSE WILL PICK MR. AMERICA!



PUFF... GASP... MUST HAVE GOT INTO WRONG STUDIO... I COULD HAVE SWORN THAT THE BERLE SHOW WAS IN STUDIO 6!

HERE WE HAVE MR. HACKENSACK... YOUR APPLAUSE PLEASE?

CLAP... CLAP...



HUH... WHAT'S GOIN' ON?

HOLD STILL... SO FAR YOU'VE GOTTEN THE MOST APPLAUSE.

CLAP-CLAP-YAY!

THE AUDIENCE, AMUSED BY MARCO'S APPEARANCE AND THINKING THAT THIS IS ALL A GAG, APPLAUDS WILDLY...

LISTEN TO THAT APPLAUSE! I THINK... IT LOOKS LIKE YOU MAY BE THE WINNER!

WHAT?... THAT GUY? WHY I'LL TEAR HIM LIMB FROM LIMB!

ON THE BASIS OF THE APPLAUSE METER, I DUB YOU MR. AMERICA!

OH, OH, THOSE MUSCLEMEN LOOK REAL MAD... LEMME OUTA HERE!

MILTON... MY CUE... HE'LL BE FURIOUS!

STOP HIM... THAT WASN'T FAIR JUDGING... I PROTEST...

GULP... THEY'LL TEAR ME LIKE A SANDWICH! IF ONE OF THEM TOUCHES ME, BARROOM!... I'M A DEAD DUCK!

DON'T LET HIM GET AWAY WITH THAT CUP! I'LL SHOW HIM I CAN LIFT THREE-HUNDRED POUNDS OVERHEAD...

THIS MUST BE IT!

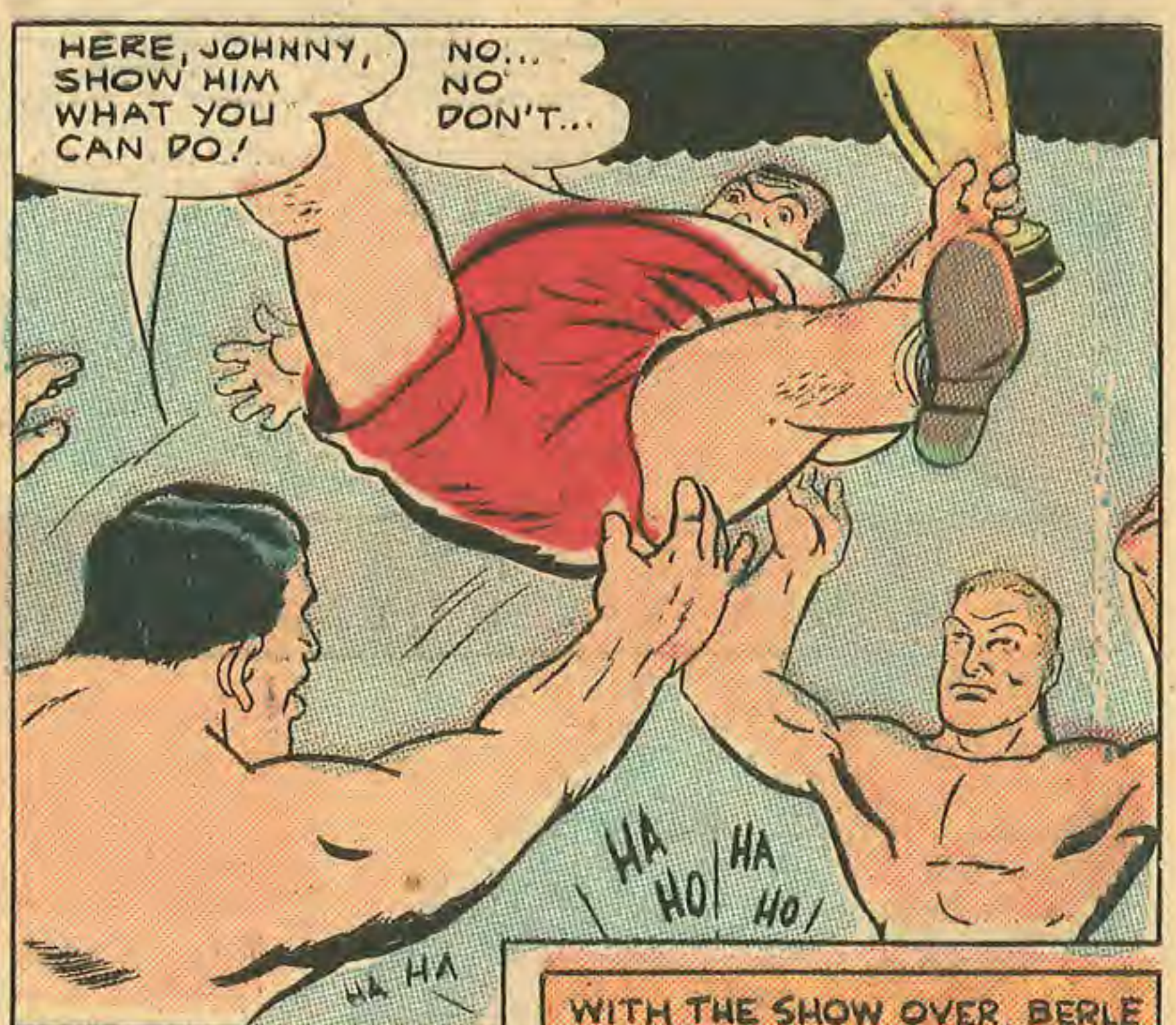
INSIDE THE STUDIO...

SO THIS HANDSOME BEAST OF A MAN, AFTER HAVING RUN THREE MILES, RUNS UP CARRYING...

WHERE IS MARCO? ... I CAN'T STALL MUCH LONGER.

SEE WHAT I MEAN?

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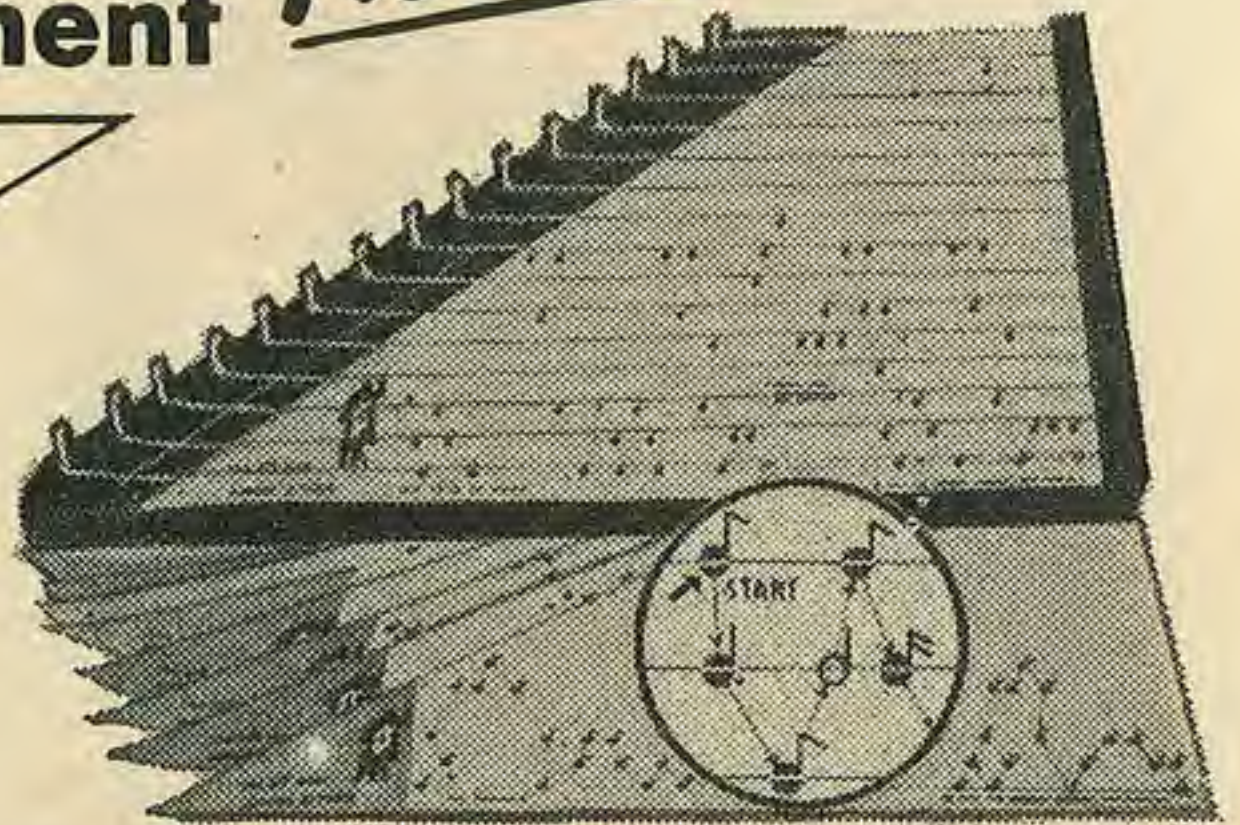
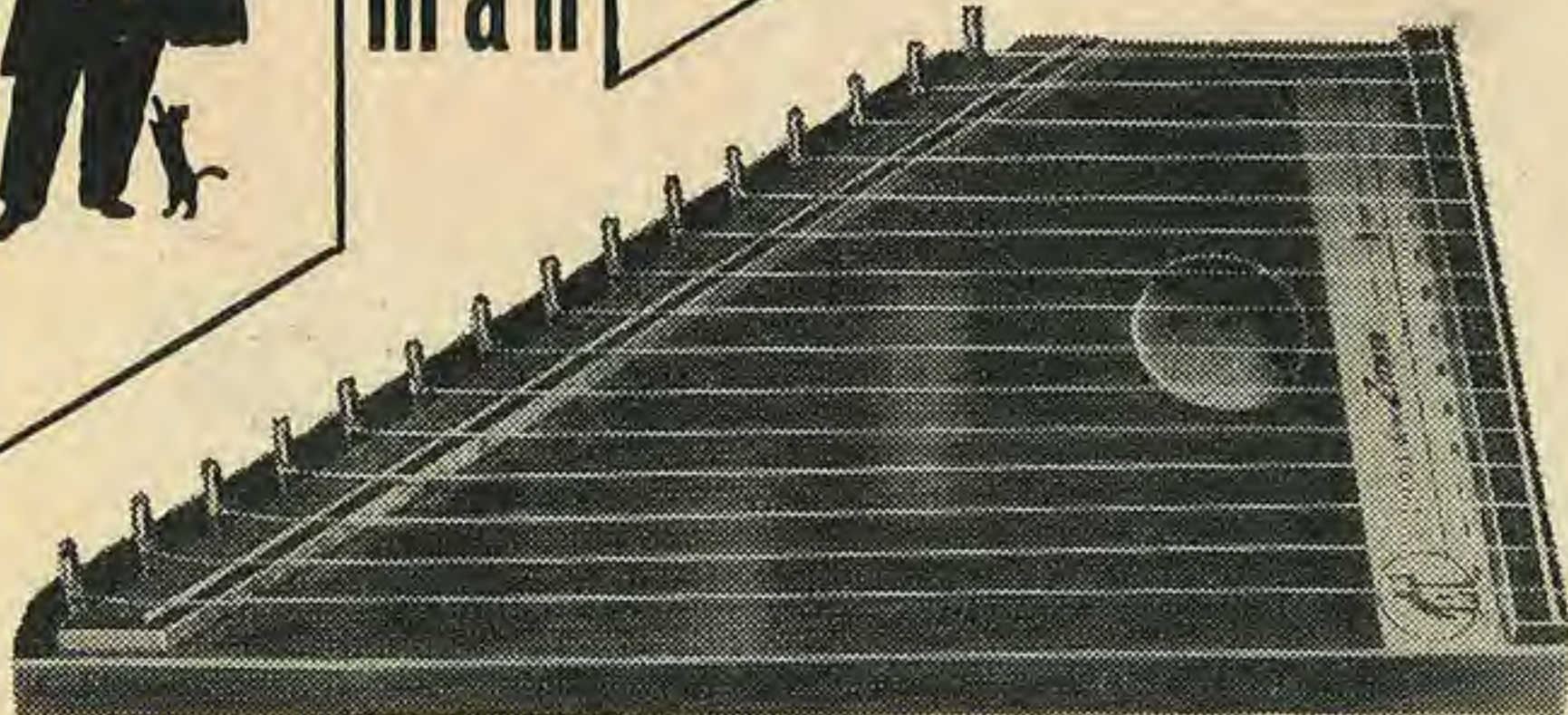
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